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SPORTS

Wrestling team has mix of youth, returners



The GHS wrestling program's new coach described this year's group as a "young team" — it had 22 members as of last Monday and six of them were freshmen — but the squad also has a solid base of returning wrestlers from last year, a season in which the Vikings won a district championship and made it to the regional finals.

The team's new coach is Andy Moore, owner of Moore's Automotive in Grayling. He's a former all-state wrestler for Grayling High School, a 1991 graduate. **Page 12**

Basketball team falls to Lakers in second game of the season



Grayling High School's varsity girls basketball squad lost 80-69 vs. the visiting Lakers of Glen Lake on Friday night.

Grayling trailed by 21 at halftime. The Vikings scored 29 points in the fourth quarter but they were unable to stop Glen Lake's offense enough times down the stretch.

"The first half we struggled; however, I am very proud of how the girls played in the second half," Coach Joe Powers said. "We had a very good second half but we dug too deep of a hole to climb out of." **Page 11**

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Caitlin Prosser drives toward the basket during the fourth quarter of last week's varsity girls basketball game against the Roscommon Bucks. Grayling won the contest by 16 points to start 1-0.



Photo by Caleb Casey

Vikings win opener 51-35

Basketball team kicks off winter sports season with victory vs. Roscommon

Grayling High School kicked off its 2011-2012 winter sports season with girls basketball games vs. the visiting Roscommon Bucks on Wednesday night. Grayling's varsity team defeated the visiting Bucks 51-35, outscoring Roscommon 12-0 in the final four minutes of the game to clinch a win in the season opener. For more on the Grayling vs. Roscommon game, see Page 10.

Ambulance service discussions continue to boil

by Dan Sanderson
Staff Writer

A slew of meetings have been scheduled to discuss continued ambulance operations in Crawford County.

The Crawford County Board of Commissioners scheduled a meeting for 2:30 p.m. on Thursday, Jan. 5, to discuss ambulance operations with township and City of Grayling officials. The board also scheduled a public hearing for 10 a.m. on Wednesday, Feb. 15, to gather input from citizens on ambulance operations.

Scheduling the meetings was prompted by the Grayling Charter Township's Board agreement to entering into a memorandum of understanding with the Frederic Township Fire Department to provide ambulance services for township residents. The agreement would allow the Frederic Township and Fire EMS to bill the health insurance of the patient for a 911 call, said Frederic Township Fire Department Chief Doug Pratt. In addition, the township would offer a \$49 membership fee to Grayling Charter Township residents for ambulance services. The membership fee would cover emergency calls and inner facility transfers from the hospital to the patient's home, a nursing home or another hospital.

More discussion on the proposal will take place at the Grayling Charter Township Board's meeting at 10 a.m. on Wednesday, Dec. 21.

"The intention of the Grayling Charter Township Board, in addition to extending opportunity to an area municipality, is to provide better service and choices to our residents," said Grayling Charter Township Supervisor Rick Harland.

In 2007, the Crawford County Board of Commissioners adopted a memorandum of understanding in order to provide viable ambulance service in the county. Mobile

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State awards grant for field relocation

by Dan Sanderson
Staff Writer

The State of Michigan informed Crawford County officials last week of an early Christmas gift for youth in the form of new Grayling Little League fields.

Crawford County Administrator Paul Compo delivered a letter to the Crawford County Board of Commissioners last week informing them that the county is being recommended for a \$100,000 Department of Natural Resources grant. The funds, which will need a \$100,000 local match, is coming from the DNR's Land, Water and Conservation Grant fund program.

Last year, high construction bids forced the Crawford County Board of Commissioners to put the brakes

on plans to relocate Grayling Little League ball fields.

Little League officials have concerns with kids riding their bikes on North Down River Road, balls leaving the playing field and going into the road, traffic and a lack of parking. The fields are also located on a former dumpsite and chunks of glass often come up to the surface.

"It's always been hard to have all games on the two fields we have out there and parking has always been a problem," said Scott Gabriel, president of the Grayling Little League Board of Directors.

Over 400 youth are involved in Little League baseball and softball programs.

The Grayling Redskins football league, Crawford AuSable Soccer

Association and Grayling Little League have fields at the sports complex. The property was formerly the Crawford County Fairgrounds.

Gabriel said little league officials hope to get more youth swinging the bats, catching and throwing balls now that all fields will be in one location.

"With the new fields, we hope we'll have more kids playing," he said.

Rob Aubry, a past Grayling Little League Board member, was one of a number of community members that were involved in writing the grant sent to state officials.

Aubry was ecstatic that Crawford County will have a sports complex similar to those in other communi-

ties.

"My kids went all the way through the program and I didn't want to drop what I was doing. I wanted to see this thing through," Aubry said. "I want to see our program go to the next level and have a great area to have our fields that we can be proud of."

Aubry credited Compo for handling the nuts and bolts of the grant process.

"He did a lot of work," Aubry said.

Compo is hopeful that in-kind services will allow the community to relocate the fields below the \$200,000 price tag.

"Ideally, we will be able to prepare the fields next summer and we

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Toys for Tots campaign puts out plea for help

With the Christmas holiday approaching, it is time to support the local Toys for Tots campaign.

Linda Northrop, the Toys for Tots coordinator for Crawford County, said Toys for Tots is experiencing a large number of children that will need support this year.

Last year, the local Toys for Tots campaign supported 881 children and expects an increase in children this year.

"A toy may seem unimportant to some people, but to a child at Christmas, it is the most important thing in the world," Northrop said. "A shiny, new toy sends a message to a needy child that someone cares."

If you would like to help provide a new toy for a needy child, you can drop it off at one of the drop off sites or at Crawford County Community Christian Help Center.

If you would like to make a monetary donation, make your check

out to Toys for Tots and mail it to Northrop at: P.O. Box 527 Grayling, MI, 49738. If you have questions, contact Northrop at (989) 348-6761.

Drops off sites for the Toys for Tots campaign include: Cornell Insurance Agency, Glen's Market, Citizens Bank, Chemical Bank, Walgreens, the Grayling Senior Center, Mercy Manor, Wendy's, the Dollar Store, Goodale's Bakery, the Grayling Mini Mall, Riverland, Huntington Bank, the Crawford County Sheriff's Office, the Grayling Eagles Club, Dawson and Stevens Classic 50's Diner and The Bottle Cap Museum, the AAA insurance office, the Icehouse Quilt Shop, Dynamic Physical Therapy, the Medicine Shoppe, Curves and Family Video.

All toys donated in Crawford County go to Crawford County children, Northrop said.



Linda Northrop, the Toys for Tots coordinator for Crawford County, said Toys for Tots is experiencing a large number of children that will need support this year. Left, Northrop is pictured with the Toys for Tots collection box at Cornell Insurance.

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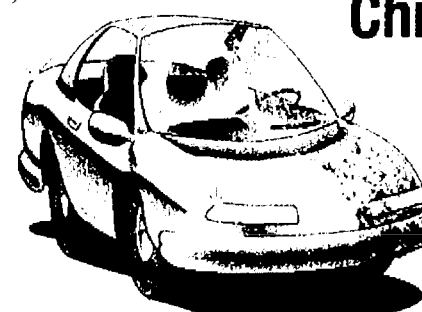
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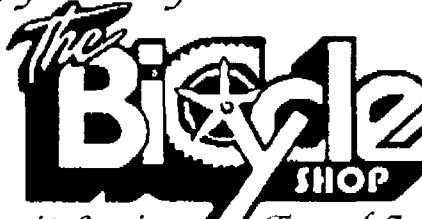


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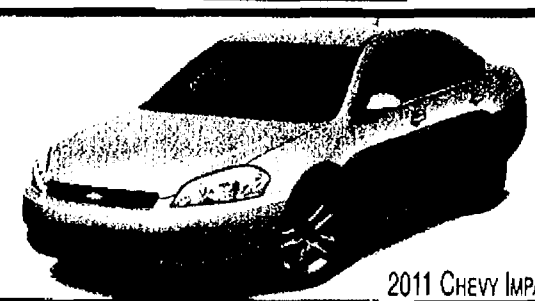
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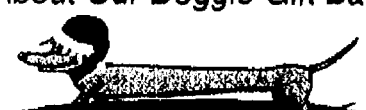
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Jeri Selthoffer, president of the Crawford County Library Board of Trustees, said expanding library facilities and offering more technology has been a long-term goal for library officials. The library serves residents in Frederic, Maple Forest Townships and some patrons from Lovells Township also use the

library although there is a branch library in Lovells.

"For the last several years, our patron count has increased dramatically," Selthoffer said. "Our need for technology has really increased and with what is happening with the economy, people can't afford the Internet at home. They're going to the library for help with doing resumes and job searches."

When the deal to transfer the school, which was last used in 2000, came together, it made it possible for the library to relocate. The township wants to sell the property where the current library is located.

Three classrooms in the southwest side of the school building will be renovated into space for the new library.

Additional shelving will be purchased, more computers will be added and the selection of books will be expanded.

"It's just going to be a very nice and new library," Selthoffer said.

The natural wood and color schemes, featured at the Devereaux Memorial Crawford County Library in Grayling, will also be used

in the new library. The auditorium in the Frederic Community Center will be available for programs and events.

"Our board is very excited about this and we think it is a wonderful opportunity to bring expanded library services to that part of our county," Selthoffer said.

Library officials are able to fund the relocation and renovation of the Frederic Library through donations from the Devereaux Foundation, reserve funds, funds left over from a bond approved to build the Devereaux Memorial Crawford County Library in 2001 and renovate branch libraries and donations from other individuals.

"This is not going to be a huge burden for taxpayers," Selthoffer said. "They are almost going to be able to get two libraries for the price of one and we're really excited about that."

Electricians started moving lines to power computers and high speed Internet last week. Library and Frederic Township officials hope to have the new library open by Feb. 1.

The library and township agreed to a 30-year lease.

"I think the project is a wonderful thing for Frederic Township and the library and it is going to be very beneficial having everything all under one roof," Frederic Township Supervisor William Johnson said.

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The Crawford County Library Board of Trustees agreed to hire Integrity Construction of Gaylord for the Frederic Library relocation and renovation project. Above, Ron Cislak, the project manager, reviews construction bids at a recent library board meeting.

Man faces up to life in prison

by Dan Sanderson
Staff Writer

A 46-year-old South Branch Township man faces up to life in prison after he was convicted by a jury last week.

Avery Robert Parker was found guilty for criminal sexual conduct first-degree, unlawful imprisonment, criminal sexual conduct fourth-degree and aggravated domestic violence.

The jury rendered their verdict on Thursday, Dec. 1, after three days of testimony and nearly a full day of deliberations.

The charges stem from an incident, which took place on May 21, 2011.

Crawford County Sheriff

Kirk Wakefield said that in the early morning hours, a 47-year-old South Branch woman was forcibly held by Parker against her will and was repeatedly sexually assaulted in her residence. The woman eventually escaped from Parker and fled into a wooded area near her home where she wandered for several hours before coming to the residence of a local man who called for help.

Parker was arrested in Detroit four days later by the Detroit Michigan State Police Fugitive Team, Michigan State Police Technical Services and United States Marshal's Office.

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will be able to play on them the following summer," Compo said.

Crawford County Commissioner Scott Hanson, a facilities and

engineering employee for Camp Grayling, has pledged to get military units training and based at the military installation involved with the field relocation project.

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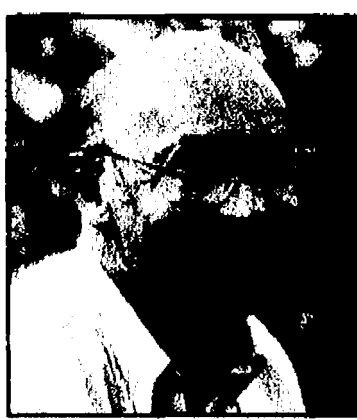
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Issues and Opinions



Almanack

by Richard Milliman

Super-Committee doomed from start

THE HOPES of Washington politicians who called on a so-called Super Committee of members of Congress to find ways to finance the federal government and reduce our staggering \$15 trillion national debt didn't work out very well.

Should anyone be surprised? Not at all. Failure was in the cards from the beginning.

The Super Committee delivered a big nothing.

Anyone who has been keeping an eye on how Congress has been operating lately knew what would happen.

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THE COMMITTEE was born out of another congressional failure.

To avoid coming to grips with raising the national debt ceiling, Congress instead named a 12 member committee of its own members evenly divided between parties and between the chambers to find a solution to both current

and future dollar problems.

Their assignment: Find at least \$1.2 trillion in spending cuts or revenue increases, or a combination of the two, and do it before Thanksgiving.

So three Republican and three Democratic senators, and three Democratic and three Republican House members, took up the challenge. Two Michiganians – Rep. Dave Camp of Midland and Rep. Fred Upton of St. Joseph, both Republicans, were part of the elite group.

The six Republicans went into the smoke-filled rooms promising “No higher taxes.”

The six Democrats promised “No cuts in aid to the needy, but it's okay to tax the wealthy.”

Apparently neither side strayed from their set positions and the result was stalemate.

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NOW THE “or else” provision was to come into play. With no

agreement from the Super Committee, cuts of \$1.2 trillion would be divided evenly between domestic and defense budgets.

But that's tough to do, so Congress is trying to figure out how not to live up to the alternative, too.

The whole tone of Congressional activity for the last three years was set by Sen. Mitch McConnell, the Republican leader in the senate, when he described his party's program for the next four years after Democrat Barack Obama was elected president.

The Republican program, Sen. McConnell claimed, is to make sure that President Obama would not be elected to a second term, a position which obviously hardened obstinacy on the other political side.

It seems to me that the McConnell program has been followed pretty closely, and it may well succeed.

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SHARING POSSIBLE – Our Thanksgiving column describing the time honored first American Thanksgiving back in 1621 elicited a comment from an astute and long time reader suggesting similarities the modern Super Committee.

Frank Knox of East Lansing and Lovells, an attorney and former AP reporter, offered these thoughts:

“You might think of the original Thanksgiving feast as a gathering of an Indian/Pilgrim Super Committee.

“Both factions decided there was plenty here to share (land, harvest, rainfall) and they outlined settlement options for each to share.

“Now, instead of deciding to share, we're cutting the amount of expenditures, meaning that less land (in the terms of the 1600s) is available, less food is available,

and everyone would come to the table with tomahawks and muskets.”

It seems to me that Mr. Knox's parallel is appropriate.

The Pilgrims and the Native Americans faced larger basic problems than our Congress faces today, and they managed to work side by side in peaceful progress for the common good – at least for a while. Why can't our elected officials work together as well in Washington?

Of course, the tomahawks and muskets came out a bit later in early America.

Today's politicians seem to use their political muskets and tomahawks right from the start.

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Letters to the Editor

Say no to Frederic EMS and keep our current service

To the editor:

I am writing this letter because I am fed up with what is happening in my community. The Grayling Township Board has decided to accept Frederic EMS as our Primary Ambulance Service. This is not a “done deal” according to Rick Harland the Township Supervisor. If you read the article in the paper it sure sounds like one to me.

Why on earth would we as citizens want to change? We have had tax free ambulance service for 11 years with MMR. Frederic says that they will also provide us with tax free service. How can they do this? The residents of Frederic Township pay 3 mills on their property taxes for ambulance and fire and the

residents of Maple Forest pay 1 mill. Yet they are going to provide it to Grayling Township for free. Wake up people. How long do you think it will before they to come to us for tax money? Then we will have no choice but to pay for something that we have enjoyed tax free for 11 years. Do you really think MMR is going to stick around? Frederic's proposal states that their back up coverage will be Houghton Lake EMS and Otsego EMS. Who wants to wait that long if both of their ALS ambulances are out on runs?

Think about it. How are they going to provide the same level of service as MMR? They have two ALS (Advanced Life Support)

ambulances MMR has five in Grayling alone.

We need to let our voices be heard. Come to the meeting on Dec. 21 at 10 a.m. If you aren't able to attend call the township at 348-4361 and let them know how you feel. This is something that will greatly impact us as a community.

In 2012 all of the Grayling Township Board members are up for re-election. We need to send them a message loud and clear that we aren't going to tolerate this any longer. We have enough shoved down our throats at a national level; we don't need to put up with it on a local level.

Sherri Wallace
Grayling

They were to be gifted and given in His name

To the editor:

I prayed they would be returned, but they weren't. We all did, but still they were not returned to their rightful owners ... the nursing homes in the Grayling area.

A couple of weeks back, our Michelson Methodist Quilters Guild were excited and ready to deliver the 42 handmade quilts they had worked on all year. They also had made placemats and special pillow cases.

Can you possibly imag-

ine, that to their absolute and incredible dismay, they found only 12 of the quilts in the church. Someone had removed them from God's house.

If anyone has received as a gift or been asked to purchase a handmade quilt recently, please advise me or the Michelson Church office at 348-2974. These beautiful quilts and other items were meant for residents of area nursing homes and other shut-ins. They were not meant for sale and

trade or to be gifted to anyone other than those who truly need them and to whom they were promised.

They were made with love, devotion and with sincere gratitude for Our Savior, Jesus Christ. They were to be gifted and to be given in His name. Please, anyone reading this, please call 348-5132 or 989-889-5019 if you have knowledge of any of these precious items.

Shirley Schmoock
Grayling

Ballot language for education millage was not published locally

To the editor:

I'm not surprised that the recent special education millage passed in Crawford County but failed in Roscommon County. The difference could be that in Roscommon County the local paper published the ballot language while the Avalanche did not. For previous millage elections, the County Clerk has had published in the Avalanche the text of the ballot language. For the special education vote, she did not. Why? Could it be because she is also Crawford AuSable School Election Coordinator?

I did not realize until voting that the millage was for a duration of 20 years. That's highly irresponsible and greedy. I found no mention of this in any of the local articles or letters regarding the millage.

It was also not apparent until you read the ballot language that not only was the proposed increase millage nearly double what it is currently but included an override of the Headlee Amendment to the Michigan Constitution

which limited the millage to .6961. Again no mention of this in any of the newspaper articles or letters. Again greedy and irresponsible.

Then there is reason to question whether the millage was really for special education or not. “Special Education” headline all the newspaper articles on the proposed millage. However, CASD Superintendent Joe Powers said in various articles that the millage is critical to “keep up the high achievement in the classroom,” and “help all students in our schools” and “we have to find ways to replace money that has been diverted from K-12 schools.” So was the proposed millage for special education or was it really for operation, using special education to get sympathy votes?

Authorities had better become completely honest, transparent and above the board (no subterfuge) in their taxing efforts or they'll kill the goose that lays their (shrinking) golden egg!

C. David Church
Roscommon

Article about Train Village generated funds for help center

To the editor:

Dan Sanderson did such a great job on our Train Village layout. People commented about reading it and the help center received a

lot of help through that. The article stated that if people could not come, they could leave donations at the bakery, and they did.

Loren Goodale

Avalanche Deadlines

Community Briefs items submitted to the Crawford County Avalanche must be turned in to the office by Monday noon, to appear in that week's issue.

Photographs must be turned in to the office by noon on Friday for consideration in the next issue.

News items and letters should be submitted on 8 1/2-x-11 inch paper, typed, and double-spaced.

Handwritten items must also have ample space between each line; on

lined paper use every other line.

Classified ads by the word must be turned in by Tuesday noon and have to be paid for in advance or they will not be published.

Classified display ads must be turned in by Monday noon.

Full page, half page, or color display ads must be turned in by Thursday at 5 p.m.

The deadline for all display ads smaller than a half page is Friday at 5 p.m.

Letters to the Editor

Your views are welcome on the Opinion Page. Letters may be typed or handwritten, but please double-space or use every other line and limit to 500 words.

Every letter must be signed and an address and telephone number must be included to be considered

for publication. Letters will not be published without the author's name. Telephone numbers are not published.

All letters are subject to editing and will be printed as space allows.

Deadline for submission of letters to the editor is Friday at noon for consideration.

Briefs

Garden club to meet

Beyond the Garden Wall Garden Club will meet on Thursday, Dec. 8, at 7 p.m. at Michelson Memorial United Methodist Church. Ernie Dawson from Flowers by Josie will demonstrate making holiday decorations with fresh flowers. Those attending should bring small or medium size containers and greens. Oasis and flowers will be provided at a cost of \$10 for members and \$15 for non-members. There will also be a cookie swap. For more information, call 348-8519.

Church to hold Cookie Walk

A Cookie Walk will be held at St. Mary's Family Center on Spruce St., on Saturday, Dec. 10, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

American Legion to hold party

The American Legion will hold their Christmas party at 2 p.m., on Wednesday, Dec. 14, at the American Legion Hall. Bring a dish to pass and a gift to exchange.

Band Boosters to hold meeting

The Grayling Viking Band Boosters meeting will be held Thursday, Dec. 8, at 7 p.m. in the Grayling Middle School Band Room. All parents of band students are invited to attend and become more involved in the activities that support the instrumental music program for all Grayling schools.

GHS to hold pop can drive

The Grayling High School Class of 2012 and Project Graduation will be holding a pop can drive on Dec. 10, at Ole Dam Party Store on M-72 West. Returnables will be collected from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. If you would like to donate cans and are unable to drop them off, please call Yvonne at 348-4148 and make arrangements for a pick up or drop off at St. Mary's Church in Grayling prior to Dec. 10.

Cub Scouts to hold cookie auction

Cub Scout Pack 3993 will hold their annual Cake and Cookie Auction on Dec. 13 at 6:30 p.m. at the AP/GE cafeteria. Scouts and parents will provide the goodies. Public is welcome to come and bid. Profits to benefit local charities and youth groups. Any questions, call cubmaster at 350-2811.

Lower flags for Remembrance Day

Pursuant to Executive Order 2006-10, U.S. flags throughout the state are to be lowered to half-staff on Wednesday, Dec. 7 for Pearl Harbor Remembrance Day. Flags should be returned to full-staff on Thursday, Dec. 8. When flown at half-staff or half-mast, the U.S. flag should be hoisted first to the peak for an instant and then lowered to the half-staff or half-mast position. The flag should again be raised to the peak before it is lowered for the day.

Community calendar available online

The Crawford County Avalanche has a community calendar on their new Web site. To view area happenings, or to be considered for publication of your event, go to crawfordcountyavalanche.com, click on community and go to the community calendar.

Sheriff's Report

Crawford County Sheriff Kirk Wakefield reports his office handled the following 67 complaints the week of Nov. 28 - Dec. 4.

Two EMS responses, 14 general non-criminal complaints, one vehicle fire, eight false alarm activations, one burglary-forced entry-residence, two larcenies, one larceny from building, one damage to property, two resisting officer complaints, four disorderly conduct complaints, four public peace disorderly

complaints, one anarchism, one operating with a blood alcohol level of .17 percent or more, two operating while intoxicated complaints, one portable pre-emption device, two health and safety complaints, one conservation, one miscellaneous arrest, seven traffic accidents, one inspection-motor vehicle-vin, eight investigations-family trouble, one suspicious situation, one driving on revoked/suspended license.

Range Firing

Range activities at Camp Grayling for Dec. 15-21 will be as follows:

Small arms ranges, located north of Howe Road, east of the gas pipeline, south of Portage Creek and west of Lake Margrethe, Dec. 21.

The 40 Complex, air to ground, located north of County Rd. 612, east of Guthrie Lake, south of Old State Rd. 618, and west of County Rd. 197 (Twin

Bridge Rd.), Dec. 15 and 19-21.

This firing schedule is subject to change without notice.

Contact the Grayling Department of Natural Resources for the areas closed for hunting within the boundaries of the installation. Grayling DNR telephone number: 989-348-6371. For further information call 989-344-6100.



Chime wall added to Head Start playground

Due to donations from the Harley Crue Motorcycle Club and the Early Head Start program, the Frederic Head Start Center was able to purchase a new chime wall for their playground. Above, the chime wall is a new addition to the playground recently built behind the Frederic Head Start Center, which is shared with Early Head Start.

Senior Citizen News

Join us for a meal either at noon or 5 p.m. weekdays, except Friday, when there is no evening meal. Soup or salad bar served prior to the meal Monday through Thursday.

This week's menu (lunch/dinner) and activities:

Friday, Dec. 9 - sloppy joe's, O'Brien potatoes, cole slaw and a banana. No Dinner. 9:30 a.m. - 11 a.m. creating healthy habits class, 10 a.m. card golf, 12 p.m. Frederic/Maple Forest Satellite Meal, 1 p.m. Pantry Bingo pool - 9 Ball and Paint and Draw.

Monday, Dec. 12 - Lunch - chicken tenders, scalloped potatoes, green beans and fresh orange. Dinner - spaghetti with meat sauce, corn, cauliflower and an apple. 10 a.m. quilting, 12:30 p.m. Zumba Gold, 1 p.m. Bridge, 1:30 p.m. Clogging, 2:30 p.m. Bunco.

Tuesday, Dec. 13 - Lunch - Chicken stir-fry, brown rice, asparagus and pineapple. Dinner - baked ham, mashed sweet potatoes, Italian blend vegetables and pineapple. 9:30 a.m. - 11 a.m. creating healthy habits class, 10 a.m. Zumba Gold and Bible study, 1 p.m. Euchre, 4 p.m. - 5 p.m. blood pressure/sugar checks.

Wednesday, Dec. 14 - Lunch - bratwurst on a bun, O'Brien potatoes, broccoli and an apple. Birthday Dinner - BBQ chicken

Library News

Join us for Movie Matinee Saturday! at Devereaux Memorial Library on Saturday, Dec. 10 at 1:30 p.m. We'll be featuring the hilarious movie "Mr. Popper's Penguins" starring Jim Carrey. Get the holiday season off with this fun family event that includes popcorn, pop and penguins. Call Jane at 989-348-9214 to sign up.

Sit n' Knit at Night will meet at Devereaux Memorial Library on Tuesday, Dec. 13 at 5 p.m. No matter your skill level you're welcome to join us, so bring your needles, yarn and projects to share with fellow knitters.

Pictures With Santa

Get A Photo of Your Dog With Santa

"The Happy Dog Paw"

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Saturday, December 10th

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The Happy Dog Paw

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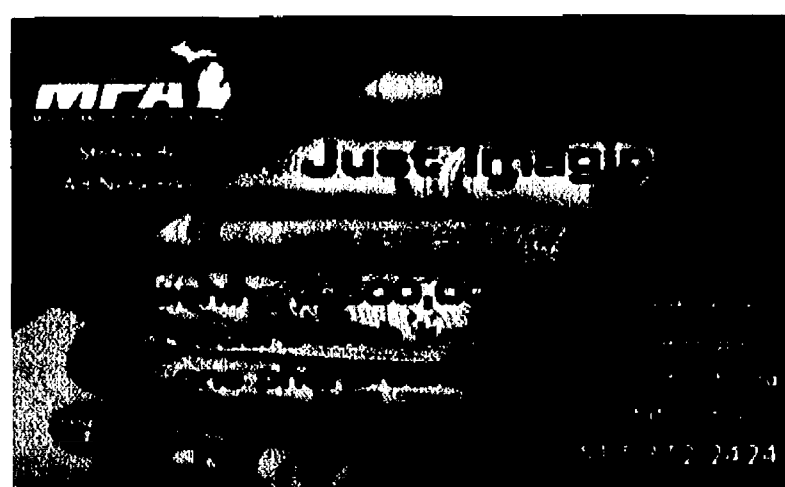
LEVEL Turtle Creek Casino Gaming Floor CP2
Level 3 Lounge Randy Brock Group



Raffle Winners

Grayling Youth Booster Club

The 50/50 raffle winners for Dec. 4 of \$25 each: Renee Christman, Brenda Swanson, Tom Coors, Joey Fritz and Jim Brown.



The Bible Speaks

The Kingdom of God is Not Externals

God has spent 16 verses in Romans 14 reminding us not to judge other Christians in the church concerning non-essentials of the faith. Now God reminds us God's kingdom is not externals like food and drink in Romans 14:17: "17For the kingdom of God is not meat and drink; but righteousness, and peace, and joy in the Holy Ghost."

Jesus rebuked the scribes and Pharisees for this in Matthew 23:23,24: "23Woe unto you, scribes and Pharisees, hypocrites! for ye pay tithe of mint and anise and cummin, and have omitted the weightier matters of the law, judgment, mercy, and faith: these ought ye to have done, and not to leave the other undone. 24Ye blind guides, which strain at a gnat, and swallow a camel."

These religious hypocrites continually judged Jesus and His disciples over externals such as in Matthew 9:10,11: "10And it came to pass, as Jesus sat at meat in the house, behold, many publicans and sinners came and sat down with him and his disciples. 11And when the Pharisees saw it, they said unto his disciples, Why eateth your Master with publicans and sinners?" As Jesus said in Matthew 11:18,19: "18For John came neither eating nor drinking, and they say, He hath a devil. 19The Son of man came eating and drinking, and they say, Behold a man gluttonous, and a winebibber, a friend of publicans and sinners. But wisdom is justified of her children."

In Matthew 12:1,2 the Pharisees accused the disciples of Jesus: "1At that time Jesus went on the sabbath day through the corn; and his disciples were an hungered, and began to pluck the ears of corn, and to eat. 2But when the Pharisees saw it, they said unto him, Behold, thy disci-

ples do that which is not lawful to do upon the sabbath day." As Jesus said, in Matthew 7:3-5: "3And why beholdest thou the mote that is in thy brother's eye, but considerest not the beam that is in thine own eye? 4Or how wilt thou say to thy brother, Let me pull out the mote out of thine eye; and, behold, a beam is in thine own eye? 5Thou hypocrite, first cast out the beam out of thine own eye; and then shalt thou see clearly to cast out the mote out of thy brother's eye."

In Matthew 15:10-20 Jesus explained the difference between internals and externals to the multitude and His disciples: "10And he called the multitude, and said unto them, Hear, and understand: 11Not that which goeth into the mouth defileth a man; but that which cometh out of the mouth, this defileth a man. 12Then came his disciples, and said unto him, Knowest thou that the Pharisees were offended, after they heard this saying? 16And Jesus said, Are ye also yet without understanding? 17Do not ye yet understand, that whatsoever entereth in at the mouth goeth into the belly, and is cast out into the draught? 18But those things which proceed out of the mouth come forth from the heart; and they defile the man. 19For out of the heart proceed evil thoughts, murders, adulteries, fornications, thefts, false witness, blasphemies: 20These are the things which defile a man: but to eat with unwashen hands defileth not a man." "...For man looketh on the outward appearance, but the LORD looketh on the heart." (1 Samuel 16:7b) Pastor "B"

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Obituaries

Alton L. Snyder

Alton Leroy Snyder, 58, of Beaver Creek Township, passed away on Wednesday November 30, 2011.

Alton was born in Coldwater, on September 13, 1953, son of the late George Snyder and Wilma (Fries).

In his early years, Alton enjoyed hunting but later took on fishing as enjoyable recreation. He liked hanging out at the coffee shoppe and tinkering with old cars.

He is survived by his sister-in-law and caregiver, Brenda Snyder; brother, Robert Snyder; niece, Myleia Snyder of Grayling; nephews, Robert Snyder (Christy Farris) of Grayling, Paul (Jamie) Snyder of Grayling; great-nieces, Alexis, Andrea, and Brittanee; great-nephews, Parker, Blake, Danny, Paul Jr., and Eric.

Gathering of friends and family will be held at LeRoy's home on Sunday December 11 at 2 p.m.

Condolences may be sent to www.sorensonlockwood.com.

Arrangements entrusted to Sorenson-Lockwood Funeral Home.

Card of Thanks

To all those who attended Ray's memorial service and to all those who came to the house, made calls and sent cards, we as a family are so appreciative.

Our family sends a special thank you to everyone at Hospice for your kind care. Melissa and Susan, Ray looked forward to seeing you. Your smile and laughter brought him so much happiness. George, the time you spent with Ray allowed him to reminisce of his many pleasant memories.

Thank you Rose and the workers for the beautiful luncheon you prepared with love for our family and friends.

It was comforting and gratifying to hear the speeches and to know Ray was truly appreciated for his knowledge and kindness.

Friends may come and friends may go, but my dear friends helped me through this difficult time.

To my seven wonderful, loving children ... I could not have made it through this without your love and support.

Violet Kehr

Barbara Roggow

Barbara Roggow (previously Scott), 65, of Grayling, passed away on Saturday, December 3, 2011.

Barbara married Larry Roggow on June 10, 2010.

Barbara was retired from the State of Michigan where she had worked as a home economics special education teacher for 25 years.

She was a member of Michelson Memorial United Methodist Church. She enjoyed attending bible study at Michelson and Grayling Free Methodist Church. She also enjoyed knitting.

A Memorial service will be held on Thursday, December 8, 2011 at 12 noon at Michelson Memorial United Methodist Church.

Memorial contributions may be sent to Mercy Hospice. Condolences may be sent to www.sorensonlockwood.com.

Arrangements entrusted to Sorenson-Lockwood Funeral Home.

Jason S. Torok

Jason Scott Torok, 39, of Frederic, passed away on November 30, 2011.

There will be a memorial service on Saturday, December 10, 2011 at 2 p.m. at Frederic Community Center.

Arrangements entrusted to Sorenson-Lockwood Funeral Home.

John H. Wylie

John H. Wylie, 85, of Grayling, passed away on Tuesday, December 6, 2011.

Please call Sorenson-Lockwood Funeral Home or go to www.sorensonlockwood.com for details of arrangements.

Military News

Kevin J. Halstead has completed Basic Combat Training at Ft. Leonard Wood, Mo. and Advanced Individual Training at Ft. Lee, Va. He is a member of the 1071st Maintenance Company, Michigan Army National Guard, and is assigned as a generator repairer.

Halstead is a 2011 graduate of Grayling High School and is the son of Kim and Dawn Halstead of Grayling.

46th Circuit Trial Court

Sentencings for November 2011

Hon. Janet M. Allen

Bonnie Sue Latesky, age 37 of Grayling - Plead guilty on Nov. 21, 2011, to controlled substance delivery schedule one-two-three and for a probation violation; sentenced on Nov. 21, 2011, to serve six days in jail with credit for six days served; ordered to pay \$80 restitution, \$60 crime victim rights fee, \$68 state minimum costs, \$325 attorney fee, \$325 circuit court costs and \$160.60 late fee assessment.

Brian Allen-Robert Crosby, age 26 of Troy - Plead guilty on Nov. 7, 2011, to disorderly person-disturbing the peace; ordered on Nov. 7, 2011, to pay \$68 state minimum costs, \$60 crime victim rights fee and \$325 circuit court costs.

Ernie Joseph Banyai, age 66 of Grayling - Plead guilty on Sept. 6, 2011, to operating under the influence of liquor/per-se-third offense; sentenced on Nov. 7, 2011, to serve 180 days in jail with credit for one day served; ordered to pay \$130 crime victim rights fee, \$68 state minimum costs, \$325 circuit court costs and \$500 penal fine; placed on probation for 18 months.

Ernie Joseph Banyai, age 66 of Grayling - Plead guilty on Sept. 6, 2011, to police officer-assault-attempt; sentenced on Nov. 7, 2011, to serve 180 days in jail with credit for five days served; ordered to pay \$130 crime victim rights fee, \$68 state minimum costs and \$325 circuit court costs; placed on probation for 18 months.

Andrew Todd Peckat, age 44 of Grayling - Plead guilty on Nov. 7, 2011, to false report of a misdemeanor; sentenced on Nov. 7, 2011, to serve three days in jail with credit for three days served; ordered to pay \$60 crime victim rights fee, \$68 state minimum costs, \$325 circuit court costs, \$350 attorney fee and \$160.60 late fee assessment.

Hon. Dennis F. Murphy

Ryan Eli Rochefort, age 39 of Gaylord - Plead guilty on Sept. 9, 2011, to substance-delivery/manufacture marijuana; sentenced on Nov. 10, 2011, to serve 60 days in jail with credit for six days served;

ordered to pay \$130 crime victim rights fee, \$325 circuit court costs, \$350 attorney fee, \$68 state minimum costs and \$120 restitution; placed on probation for 18 months.

Tyler Joseph Arseneau, age 19 of Grayling - Plead guilty on Sept. 9, 2011, to false report of a felony; sentenced on Nov. 10, 2011, to serve one year and one month to four years in prison with credit for 66 days served in jail; ordered to pay \$130 crime victim rights fee, \$68 state minimum costs, \$325 circuit court costs, \$350 attorney fee and \$61.91 restitution.

Steven Joseph Denike, age 52 of Bellaire - Plead guilty on Oct. 17, 2011, to controlled substance less than 25 grams; sentenced on Nov. 21, 2011, to serve 90 days in jail with credit for two days served; ordered to pay \$130 crime victim rights fee, \$68 state minimum costs, \$325 circuit court costs and \$1,000 fine; placed on probation for 12 months.

Heather Marie Johns, age 26 of Frederic - Plead guilty on Aug. 15, 2011, to uttering and publishing; sentenced on Nov. 21, 2011, to serve 90 days in jail with credit for 16 days served; ordered to pay \$130 crime victim rights fee, \$325 circuit court costs, \$350 attorney fee and \$380 restitution; placed on probation for 18 months.

Jay B. Love, age 20 of Frederic - Plead guilty on Oct. 6, 2011, to breaking and entering with intent and for a probation violation; sentenced on Nov. 10, 2011, to serve 30 months and 10 years in prison with credit for 373 days served; ordered to pay \$60 crime victim rights fee, \$68 state minimum costs, \$1,000 restitution and \$25.60 late fee assessment.

Aaron Christopher Haynes, age 37 of Houghton Lake - Found guilty by a jury on Oct. 11, 2011, for police officer-assault and found guilty by the court for being a habitual offender third-conviction; sentenced on Nov. 10, 2011, to serve 30 months to four years in prison with credit for 37 days served; ordered to pay \$130 crime victim rights fee, \$68 state minimum costs and \$325 circuit court costs.

Jeremiah Lee Handrich, age 24 of Grayling - Plead guilty on Nov. 10, 2011, to substance-delivery manufacture marijuana and for a probation violation; sentenced on Nov. 10, 2011, to serve 90 days in jail with credit for three days served; ordered to pay \$68 state minimum costs, \$60 crime victim rights fee, \$325 circuit court costs, \$350 attorney fee, \$250 penal fine and \$210.60 late fee assessment.

Jeremiah Lee Handrich, age 24 of Grayling - Plead guilty on Nov. 7, 2011, to police officer assault and for a probation violation; sentenced on Nov. 7, 2011, to serve 45 days in jail; ordered to pay \$350 attorney fee, \$325 circuit court costs, \$60 crime victim rights fee and \$68 state minimum costs.

Card of Thanks

I'd like to thank everyone for all of your thoughts, prayers and concerns during my recent stay in Munson and Grayling Mercy Hospital. Your kindness has been overwhelming and I sincerely appreciate it.

Warren Hatfield



Burning Bush Tabernacle
Pastor: Patricia Petrie
989-348-1278
501 E. Michigan Ave., Grayling

- Sunday School: 10am
- Sunday Morning Celebration: 11am
- Wednesday Evening Service
- Worship & Prayer: 7pm

URL: <http://www.burningbushchurch.com>
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Calvary Baptist Church
Pastor: Dr. Robert Barnett
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Morning Worship: 10:30am
Evening Worship: 6pm
Wednesday: 7pm
Prayer & Awana Club (Wed): 7pm
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(Corner of M-72 & Bear Lake Rd.)
231-258-6107
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Ronald L. Lashley

Ronald Lee Lashley, 70, of Grayling, passed away Saturday, December 3, 2011 at Mercy Hospital in Grayling.

Ronald was born on September 24, 1941 in Jackson, to Earl and Marion (Leedy) Lashley.

He attended Napoleon Schools, and entered the US Army in October, 1962 at age 21. He married Ruth Ann Crandall on September 10, 1966 in Jackson, at the Ackerson Lake Baptist Church.

Ron was a career Army Veteran, serving in the Vietnam War as a Mess Sergeant. He was also stationed in Colorado Springs, Colo., Korea, and in Germany during his military career and was awarded The Army Service Ribbon, National Defense Service Medal, Armed Forces Expeditionary Medal, Vietnam Cross of Gallantry w/Palm, Good Conduct Medal w/6th Award, Overseas Service Ribbon (3), Vietnam Service Medal w/ Bronze Star, Non-Commissioned Officer Professional

Development Ribbon (3). Upon his retirement from active service in 1982, he worked as a cook in local restaurants for a time.

He returned to school in 1987 and became a Food Service Supervisor for the State of Michigan, working in Grayling at Camp Lehman for 13 years.

He enjoyed Detroit Lions football (whether they won or lost), travelling, mushrooming, going to the casino, camping and watching anything on TV, especially action and war movies.

Ron will be remembered as a loving family man who loved to tease and pull practical jokes.

Surviving are his wife Ruth, of Grayling; his son, Greg Lashley of St. Helen; his daughters, Kerry (Lee) Hannah of Gladwin and Lisa Lashley of St. Helen; four grandchildren: Tony, Jeff, Eric and Elana Lashley; and three step-grandchildren: Justin, Alex, and Ryan Hannah. He is also survived by his brothers: Rev. Richard (Janet) Lashley of Sun City, Ariz. and Dennis (Reta) Lashley, Sr. of Jackson; his sister

Cindy (John) Spurlock of Henderson, Ky; his brother and sister-in-law, Keith and Sharon Crandall of Gaylord; and his sisters-in-law, Midge Lashley and Donna Lashley both of Jackson; several nieces and nephews, as well as many great nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Earl and Marion Lashley; his brother, David Lashley; and his infant sister, Vicky Lashley.

A funeral service was held on December 7, at 1 p.m., at Lashley Funeral Home, Mio, with Pastor Scott Hoffer of the Bear Lake Christian Church officiating.

In accordance with Ronald's wishes, cremation will follow the funeral service.

Memorial donations may be made to the The Vietnam Veterans Memorial Fund: 2600 Virginia Avenue, NW, Suite 104 Washington, D.C. 20037 or online at: www.vvmf.org/online-donation.

Arrangements by Lashley Funeral Home, Mio.

Discussions over ambulance services continue to boil

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Medical Response (MMR), the Saginaw based ambulance service the county has contracted with since 2000, and North Flight, an ambulance service owned by Munson Hospital.

The agreement was established because both ambulance organizations were losing money when federal reimbursement rates for ambulance transfers were decreased. North Flight asked the county for a subsidy to cover its losses.

North Flight, which used to operate out of the Grayling Industrial Park, no longer has ambulances in Crawford County.

Over the summer, the Frederic Township EMS Service became Advanced Life Support (ALS) accredited, which is the highest accreditation an ambulance service can achieve. The township was able to finally achieve the accreditation when the former township offices were converted into living quarters for EMS staff. That allows quicker response times and first responders to provide life saving measures to patients as they are transported to the hospital.

The Frederic Township Fire and EMS Service is supported by a millage levied in its service area, which includes Frederic and Maple Forest Townships. It also covers Lovells Township.

Pratt said that the City of Grayling and Beaver Creek Township are other municipalities in Crawford County that do have a millage for EMS services. He plans on approaching officials from both municipalities with the same proposals offered to Grayling Charter Township.

MMR has stations in the City of Grayling and Beaver Creek Township.

Crawford County Commissioners have concerns of keeping a viable ambulance service available to the public if local entities enter to their own agreements. Splitting the volume of emergency ambulance runs and inner-facility transfers could create a situation where one ambulance could not sustain operations.

"I think we have to live and die with that contract that we have or we shred that document," said Rick Anderson, vice chairman of the Crawford County Board of Commissioners.

Crawford County Administrator Paul Compo said dispatching ambulances is another issue that needs to be addressed. First, the county has an exclusive agreement to dispatch for MMR. In addition, calls that require added medical information can be transferred to an emergency dispatch center in Saginaw, which is operated by MMR, to provide proper pre-hospital care.

Pratt said the Frederic Township Fire Department EMS has a staff member that is accredited to provide pre-hospital dispatch information such as when a person is in full cardiac arrest or a woman is delivering a baby in an emergency.

Pratt noted that Frederic Township has utilized county dispatchers since its inception in 1972.

"If it's good enough for Frederic, Maple Forest and Lovells Townships, why is all the sudden not good enough for Grayling Charter Township and the rest of the county?" Pratt asked the county board.

Dave Stephenson, chairman of the Crawford County Board of Commissioners, said the county board needs to take all citizens in the county into consideration

when discussing ambulance contracts.

"Right from the get go, our concern was for providing coverage for everyone in the county," Stephenson said.

Matt Holtcamp, a director of operations for MMR, cautioned county commissioners to study the liability of dropping its oversight over area ambulance operations.

"You need to be careful before your step out of the ambulance business," Holtcamp said.

The contract with MMR expires in October, but there is a 90-day notification clause if the pact is going to be terminated. County officials want plenty of time to study their options before making a decision.

"We need to put all the points that we've put out here on the table and then some," Stephenson said.

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Adult foster care home OK'd

by Dan Sanderson
Staff Writer

Grayling City planners gave the green light for construction of an adult foster care home that will be located on the south side of the community.

The Grayling City Planning Commission last week approved a conditional land use permit for the adult foster care home. The home will have 20 beds, said Zac Weaver, the planning and zoning administrator for the City of Grayling.

DeShano Construction of Gladwin was given approval for the project.

The construction firm was given approval for the

project in 2008, but had to come back before city planners due to the lapse in time.

"They never followed through and now they want to complete the project," Weaver said.

Contractors had to apply for the conditional land use permit because the zoning for the property has changed.

The property is by the Cobble Creek apartments and nearby the Grayling Senior Center.

"They think there is a customer base for it," Weaver said of the market for adult foster care in Grayling.

Man dies after crashing vehicle

by Dan Sanderson
Staff Writer

A Frederic man died in a vehicle accident last week.

Crawford County Sheriff Kirk A. Wakefield said deputies were dispatched around 3:20 a.m. on Wednesday Nov. 30, to a one-vehicle accident on County Road 612 east of Forest Trail in Frederic Township.

Upon arrival the driver, Jason Torok, 39, of

Frederic, was found deceased. His vehicle had been traveling westbound on County Road 612, when he lost control, leaving the roadway and striking a tree. Alcohol is believed to be a factor in the accident, Wakefield said.

The Grayling City Police Department and Frederic Township Fire Department assisted deputies at the scene.

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87th District Court

Sentencings for November 2011

Hon. Monte J. Burmeister
Karen Marie Partlow, age 52 of Eaton Rapids - Sentenced on Nov. 8, 2011, for domestic violence; ordered to pay \$453 in fines or serve 45 days in jail.

Chad James Delong, age 24 of Gaylord - Sentenced on Nov. 9, 2011, for operate without security; ordered to pay \$445 in fines or serve 44 days in jail.

Stephen Pepsin, age 60 of Grayling - Sentenced on Nov. 8, 2011, for violation of Grayling City ordinance #4; ordered to pay \$693 in fines or serve 69 days in jail; placed on probation for 121 days.

Michael Todd Hill, age 50 of Jackson - Sentenced on Nov. 29, 2011, for allow person to use drugs at home of defendant; ordered to serve five days in jail; ordered to pay \$1,513 in fines or serve 25 days in jail; placed on probation for 182 days.

Michael James Hockin, age 23 of Linden - Sentenced on Nov. 4, 2011, for operate while visibly impaired; ordered to pay \$553 in fines or serve 55 days in jail; placed on probation for 121 days.

Mark Glenn Fitzgerald, age 48 of Kilmarnock - Sentenced on Nov. 8, 2011, for violation of Grayling City ordinance #4; ordered to serve 90 days in jail; ordered to pay \$223 in fines.

Tony Jay Medina, age 21 of Roscommon - Sentenced

on Nov. 1, 2011, for operating while intoxicated, license suspended/revoked-allowed another suspended person to operate and failure to stop at the scene of a property damage accident; ordered to serve 20 days in jail with credit for one day served; ordered to pay \$2,104 in fines or serve 73 days in jail; placed on probation for 365 days.

Zane Alexander Chwastek, age 61 of Kalkaska - Sentenced on Nov. 15, 2011, for assault/assault and battery; ordered to serve five days in jail with credit for two days served; ordered to pay \$583 in fines or serve 58 days in jail; placed on probation for 182 days.

Patrick Anthony Ferrigan, age 56 of Grayling - Sentenced on Nov. 1, 2011, for operating while intoxicated; ordered to serve five days in jail with credit for one day served; ordered to pay \$1,053 in fines or serve 88 days in jail; placed on probation for 121 days.

Dennis Anthony Tyerril, age 51 of Flint - Sentenced on Nov. 8, 2011, for controlled substance use of marijuana; ordered to serve four days in jail with credit for one day served; ordered to pay \$713 in fines or serve 71 days in jail; placed on probation for 182 days.

Wade Russell Leist, age 27 of Boyne City - Sentenced on Nov. 1, 2011, for license suspended/revoked-allowed another suspended person

to operate; ordered to serve eight days in jail; ordered to pay \$353 in fines or serve 35 days in jail.

Michael Lewis Mullas, age 19 of Roscommon - Sentenced on Nov. 1, 2011, for operate while visibly impaired; ordered to pay \$903 in fines or serve 90 days in jail; placed on probation for 121 days.

Dakota James Beck, age 18 of Sault Ste. Marie - Sentenced on Nov. 15, 2011, for no proof of insurance; ordered to pay \$873 in fines or serve 87 days in jail; placed on probation for 364 days.

Jason Anthony Hoffman, age 34 of Frederic - Sentenced on Nov. 29, 2011, for attempt larceny \$200 or more less than \$1,000; ordered to serve one day in jail with credit for one day served; ordered to pay \$915 in fines or serve 91 days in jail; placed on probation for 121 days.

Rebecca Ashley Lane, age 26 of Grayling - Sentenced on Nov. 15, 2011, for violation of Grayling City ordinance #4; ordered to pay \$483 in fines or serve 48 days in jail; placed on probation for 182 days.

George Robert Schroeder, age 22 of Byron Center - Sentenced on Nov. 17, 2011, for impeded traffic; ordered to pay \$120 in fines.

Brandon John-Allen Pearce, age 19 of Grayling - Sentenced on Nov. 29, 2011, for license suspended/revoked-allowed another suspended person to operate and improper use of license plate; ordered to pay \$491 in fines or serve 49 days in jail.

Leroy Francis Decker II, age 21 of Grayling - Sentenced on Nov. 22, 2011, for controlled substance use of marijuana; ordered to serve 10 days in jail; ordered to pay \$1,063 in fines or serve 83 days in

jail; placed on probation for 182 days.

Jason Paul Wilson, age 21 of Grayling - Sentenced on Nov. 1, 2011, for no proof of insurance; ordered to pay \$160 in fines.

Ronald Mathew Batcke, age 27 of Saginaw - Sentenced on Nov. 1, 2011, for operate without security; ordered to pay \$445 in fines or serve 44 days in jail.

Jason Lynn Kelley, age 34 of Frederic - Sentenced on Nov. 8, 2011, for license suspended/revoked-allowed another suspended person to operate; ordered to serve 10 days in jail with credit for 10 days served; ordered to pay \$803 in fines or serve 80 days in jail.

Jason Elton Lademan, age 35 of Frederic - Sentenced on Nov. 29, 2011, for operate while visibly impaired; ordered to pay \$473 in fines or serve 47 days in jail; placed on probation for 121 days.

Daniel Gene Ellison, age 21 of Grayling - Sentenced on Nov. 16, 2011, for no proof of insurance; ordered to pay \$160 in fines.

Toby Shain Forman, age 33 or Roscommon - Sentenced on Nov. 29, 2011, for operate without security, license suspended/revoked-allowed another suspended person to operate and attempt flee/elude fourth-degree vehicle code; ordered to serve 10 days in jail with credit for two days served; ordered to pay \$1,486 in fines or serve 148 days in jail; placed on probation for 182 days.

Christopher Robin Stajkowski, age 40 of Roscommon - Sentenced on Nov. 22, 2011, for operating while intoxicated; ordered to serve 16 days in jail with credit for 16 days served; ordered to pay \$1,563 in fines or serve 76 days in jail; placed on probation for 365 days.

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MDOT and CRAM remind motorists: 'Snowplows Need Room to Groom!'

The Michigan Department of Transportation (MDOT) and the County Road Association of Michigan (CRAM) announced an education campaign aimed at urging motorists to remember good driving habits in winter weather conditions, "Snowplows Need Room to Groom!"

"Road crews put their lives on the line every day to keep Michigan roads safe for everyone," said State Transportation Director Kirk T. Steudle. "Motorists must remember to drive with caution no matter how much salt we use or how often the roads are plowed."

A steady decrease in road

funding and an increase in costs have forced state and local agencies to alter their winter maintenance plans and change plowing priorities. However, one important fact has not changed: road crews must have ample room in order to safely clear the many miles of roadway of snow and ice.

"Motorists must do their best to minimize distractions and focus on driving and changes in road conditions," John Niemela, CRAM director, said. "Every year, despite the flashing lights on snowplow trucks, poor driver behavior near snowplows leads to collisions that can be deadly."

MDOT and CRAM offer the following reminders for motorists:

- Snowplows have limited visibility and drivers cannot see directly behind their trucks;

- Snowplows often throw up snow clouds, reducing visibility on all sides of the truck;

- Distracted driving is dangerous driving. Motorists should not text or talk on cell phones while they are behind the wheel. In fact, texting while driving is illegal in Michigan;

- Motorists should never attempt to pass a moving snowplow on the right. With new wing-plow technology, the blade can clear the

shoulder and the lane of travel simultaneously. Motorists attempting an illegal pass through a snow cloud on the right and/or shoulder of the road most likely won't see the plow blade and run the risk of a serious crash; and

- Always wear your safety belt and allow extra time to reach your destinations this winter.

Steudle added, "For the safety of everyone, motorists should use extreme caution when traveling in winter weather conditions. We can't emphasize this enough: Snowplows Need Room to Groom!"

87th District Court

Sentencings for November 2011

Hon. Monte J. Burmeister

Rebecca Ashley Lane, age 26 of Grayling - Sentenced on Nov. 22, 2011, for malicious destruction of property over \$200 and under \$1,000; ordered to pay \$1,578 in fines and \$2,211.39 restitution or serve 365 days in jail; placed on probation for 730 days.

Cody Ryan Collen, age 20 of Grayling - Sentenced on Nov. 8, 2011, for no proof of insurance; ordered to pay \$160 in fines.

Jeffery Wayne Allen, age 38 of Watervliet - Sentenced on Nov. 8, 2011, for operate

while visibly impaired; ordered to pay \$553 in fines or serve 55 days in jail; placed on probation for 121 days.

Christopher Robin Shaffer, age 38 of Grayling - Sentenced on Nov. 22, 2011, for operate without security; ordered to pay \$445 in fines of serve 44 days in jail.

Gregory Paul Singelyn, age 25 of Roscommon - Sentenced on Nov. 22, 2011, for no proof of insurance; ordered to pay \$160 in fines.

Gregory Adam Pittman, age 24 of Grayling - Sentenced on Nov. 22, 2011, for impeded traffic;

ordered to pay \$120 in fines.

Charles Edward Golinick, age 51 of Grayling - Sentenced on Nov. 15, 2011, for operate with a blood alcohol content of .17 or more; ordered to serve three days in jail with credit for one day served; ordered to pay \$1,393 in fines or serve 139 days in jail; placed on probation for 365 days.

Teanna Rose Zigala, age 19 of St. Helen - Sentenced on Nov. 22, 2011, for operate without security; ordered to pay \$445 in fines or serve 44 days in jail.

Linda Lee Hoyland, age 62 of Lake Linden - Sentenced on Nov. 2, 2011,

for operate while visibly impaired; ordered to pay \$991 in fines or serve 99 days in jail; placed on probation for 182 days.

Joshua Dylan Fritz, age 24 of Temperance - Sentenced on Nov. 1, 2011, for operate while visibly impaired; ordered to pay \$553 in fines or serve 55 days in jail; placed on probation for 121 days.

Magistrate Camarin Talarico

Jessica Nicole Sorenson, age 21 of Grayling - Sentenced on Nov. 16, 2011, for violation of license restriction; ordered to pay \$133 in fines.

Area Events

Gaylord - The Evangelical Free Church, 1649 M-32 East, Gaylord will hold a Worldwide Candle Lighting - Service of Remembrance to be held on Sunday, Dec. 11, at 6:30 p.m. This is sponsored by The Compassionate Friends Otsego County Chapter.

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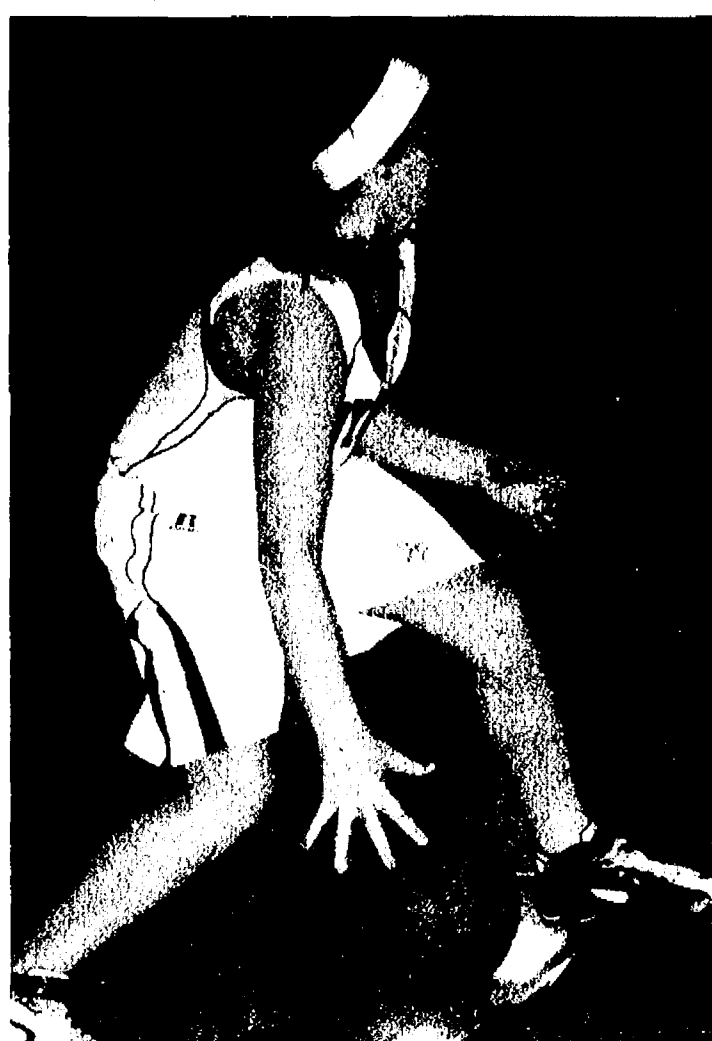
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Hailey Whittaker, left, dribbles the ball for the Vikings during Wednesday's varsity girls basketball game vs. Roscommon. Josie Swander, center, boxes out during a rebound opportunity on Wednesday night. Alyssa Morley, right, shoots the ball for Grayling vs. Roscommon.

Vikings win opener with 12-0 4th quarter run

Varsity basketball team defeats Roscommon

by Caleb Casey
Senior Staff Writer

The Grayling Vikings outscored the visiting Roscommon Bucks 12-0 in the last four minutes of Wednesday's varsity girls basketball contest – Grayling's season opener – and GHS won the game by 16 points, 51-35.

The Vikings led 9-6 at the end of the first quarter. Grayling scored its nine points with a jump shot by Alyssa Morley, a jumper by Jo Hamlin, a lay-up by Hailey Whittaker, a free throw from Josie Swander, and a lay-up by Hannah Haven.

Grayling opened the second period with a 10-0 run. The series included put-backs by Morley and

Hamlin, two baskets by Swander, and a jump shot by Benardo. Grayling led 19-8.

Haven and Swander scored lay-ups for GHS to give the Vikings a 23-10 advantage. The Bucks scored the next three baskets. Grayling scored the final points of the first half – Jamie Denton hit a jump shot for GHS in the final seconds – and the Vikings led by nine, 25-16, at halftime.

The Bucks started the third period with a three-pointer to pull within six. Hamlin scored two baskets for Grayling to give the Vikings a 10-point advantage. The Bucks hit a jump shot. Grayling scored four points with two free throws from Benardo and a jumper

by Hamlin.

Roscommon outscored Grayling 8-3 in the last 4:00 of the third quarter. Grayling took a seven-point lead, 36-29, into the fourth period.

The Bucks hit two free throws at the 6:03 mark to pull within five. Roscommon hit a jump shot at the 4:39 mark to pull within four. Grayling went back up by six with two free throws from Caitlin Prosser. Roscommon scored a lay-up with 4:10 remaining, cutting Grayling's lead to four.

At the 3:52 mark an injury to a Grayling player (Benardo) forced a delay in the contest; medical personnel took her to the hospital.

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Cierra Prosser battles for a loose ball against Roscommon on Wednesday night.

JV team starts year with losses vs. Bucks, Lakers



Katie Vierling shoots the ball for Grayling vs. the Lakers on Friday night.

The GHS junior varsity girls basketball team opened its 2011-2012 season with losses vs. the Roscommon Bucks and the Glen Lake Lakers on Wednesday and Friday, respectively. Grayling High School hosted both contests.

On Wednesday night, the Vikings fell to the Roscommon Bucks by a final score of 50-17.

Seven players scored points for the Vikings: Sam Denno (5), Courtney Hatfield (4), Meagan Malm (2), Jordan Tinker (2), Maddie Nielson (2), Courtney Hill (1), Tandy

Mitchell (1).

Grayling lost 51-24 vs. the Glen Lake Lakers on Friday.

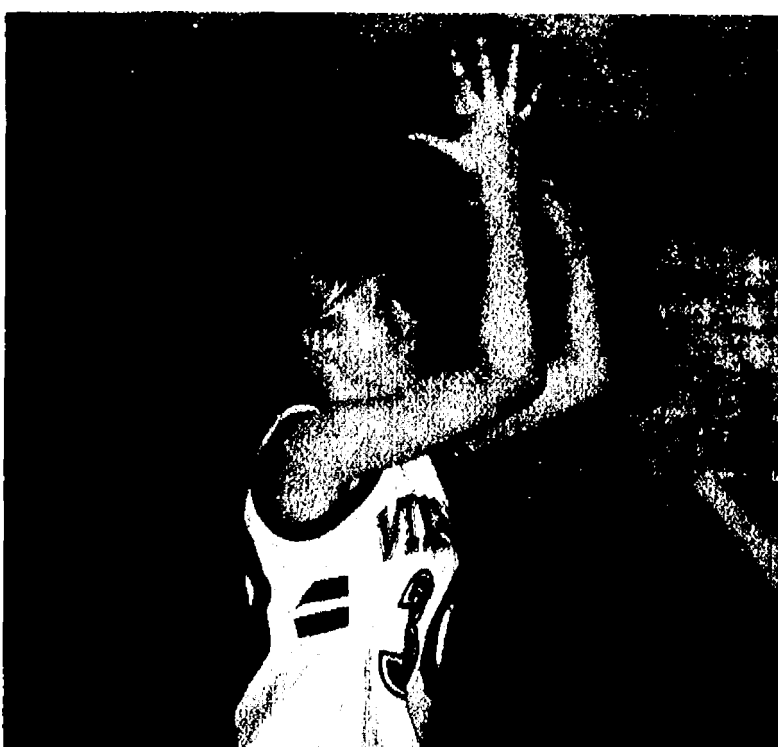
Glen Lake led 22-9 at halftime. The Lakers outscored Grayling 12-2 in the third quarter. Glen Lake had 17 points in the fourth period to win by 27.

Eight players scored points for Grayling: Mitchell (9), Malm (4), Rachel Money (2), Nielson (2), Katie Vierling (2), Denno (2), Hailey Petty (2), Tinker (1).

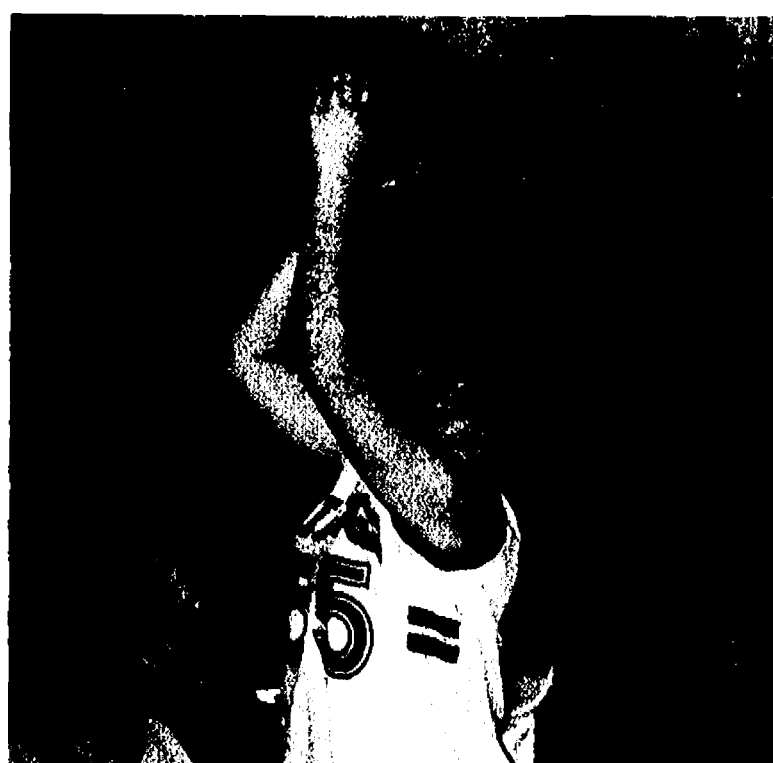
The JV team (0-2 overall, 0-0 league) will play at Houghton Lake at 6 p.m. on Monday, Dec. 12.



Rachel Money handles the ball for the JV Vikings on Friday vs. Glen Lake.



Hailey Petty takes a jump shot vs. Glen Lake.



Sam Denno takes an inside shot for the Vikings vs. Roscommon on Wednesday.



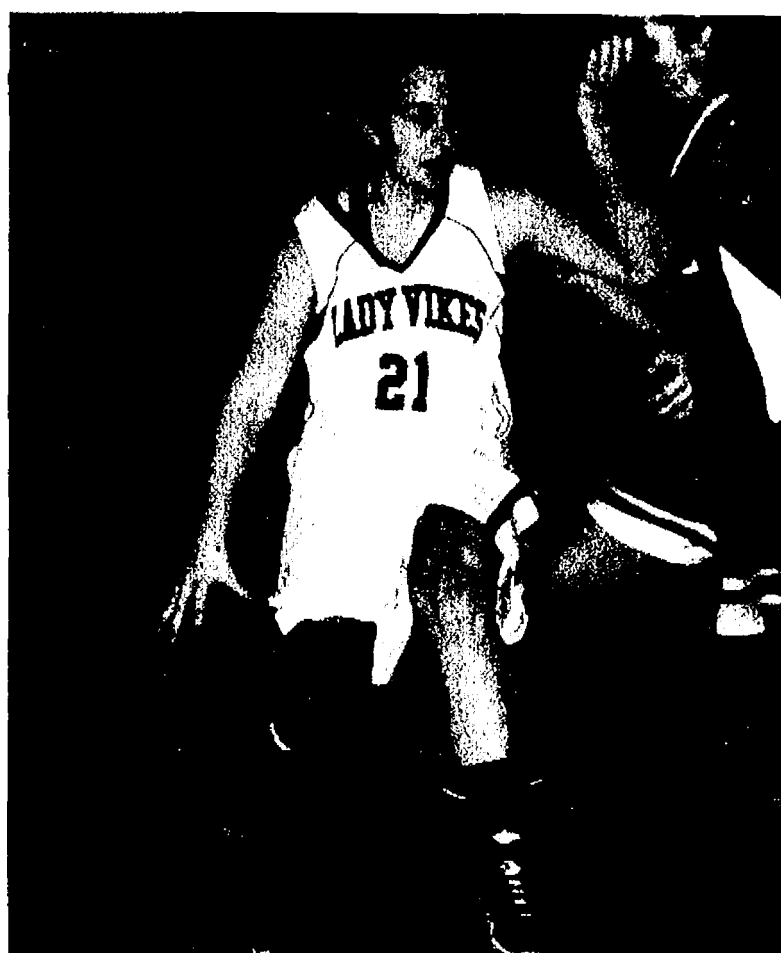
Maddie Nielson shoots vs. Glen Lake.

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Hannah Haven, left, handles the ball for the Vikings during Friday's nonconference game against Glen Lake. Jamie Denton, right, looks to shoot vs. the Lakers on Friday night.



Alyssa Morley, left, dribbles the ball for the Vikings on Friday vs. Glen Lake. Hailey Whittaker, right, drives to the basket for Grayling.

Basketball team falls to Lakers in second game of the season

Grayling High School's varsity girls basketball squad lost 80-69 vs. the visiting Lakers of Glen Lake on Friday night.

Grayling trailed by 21 at halftime. The Vikings scored 29 points in the fourth quarter but they were unable to stop Glen Lake's offense enough times down the stretch.

The Vikings led 7-4 to start the game, scoring on two jump shots by Jo Hamlin and a drive and one free throw from Cierra Prosser.

Glen Lake scored eight unanswered points to lead 12-7.

Hailey Whittaker scored on a lay-up for GHS. Alyssa Morley hit an inside shot.

The Lakers scored seven points in the first quarter's last 10 points to lead 19-14.

The Vikings pulled within three with baskets from Morley and Hannah Haven. Glen Lake outscored Grayling 25-7 during the last seven minutes of the first half.

The Lakers took a 46-25 advantage into the third period.

The Vikings ended the third quarter with an 11-0 run. The series included five points from Whittaker, a three pointer by Hamlin, a lay-up from Morley, and one free throw from Josie Swander.

Glen Lake led by 14, 54-40, going into the fourth quarter.

The Vikings scored 29 points in the last eight minutes of regulation, but they couldn't get any closer than nine points. The Lakers scored 26 points in the fourth period and won by 11, 80-69.

"The first half we struggled; however, I am very proud of how the girls played in the second half," Coach Joe Powers said. "With adversity on the court and in life, we individually choose how to respond. Our girls chose to fight back. We had a very good second half but we dug too deep of a hole to climb out of."

"We missed quite a few assignments in the first half, which we were able to fix at

halftime. We are still young and inexperienced so it will take us a little time to get everything right. The good news is that the girls are trying very hard and will continue to improve throughout the season," Coach Powers said.

Hamlin had 23 points and five rebounds for Grayling. Caitlin Prosser had 11 points and eight rebounds. Whittaker had 11 points and three steals. Cierra Prosser had eight points and four rebounds. Swander had eight points and 13 rebounds.

The Vikings (1-1 overall, 0-0 league) will play at Houghton Lake on Monday, Dec. 12.

Bowling Leagues

Senior League

Dana Transport... 38 - 14
Flowers By Josie... 37 - 15
Gaylord Electric... 30 - 22
Sylvester's Sports... 25 - 27
Bear's Den Pizza... 22 - 20
Legion Lanes... 20 - 32
Spike's... 20 - 32
Lone Pine... 18 - 34
High Series Women: C. Clark, 547; H. Stairs, 482; N. Glasslee, 461. High Game Women: C. Clark, 205; H. Stairs, 183; N. Glasslee, 177. High Series Men: D. Henning, 546; P. Faustman, 532; L. Crampton, 529. High Game Men: D. Henning, 204; L. Crampton, 192; B. Holton, 191.

Pioneer League

Legion... 34 - 14
T.C. Lawncare... 33 - 15
Ole Dam... 31 - 17
Tim's Collision... 25 - 23
5 B's... 24 - 23
Pink Ladies... 17 - 31
Bosco Babes... 14 - 34
High Series: L. Golnick, 509; J. Coors, 488; H. Stairs, 486. High Game: L. Golnick, 193; C. Seymour, 192; J. Coors, 190.

Recreation League

Worm Guts... 31.5 - 20.5
Grayling Nursing... 29 - 23
Legion... 27.5 - 24.5

Snap Fitness... 26 - 26
Robin Smith CPA... 26 - 26
Glen's Market... 24 - 28
Mercy Manor... 23.5 - 28.5
Days Inn... 20.5 - 31.5
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American Men's League

North Country... 24 - 11
AJD... 23 - 12
Thayer's... 21 - 14
Grayling Chiro... 21 - 14
Grayling Restaurant... 17 - 18
Joels Team... 13 - 22
Man Cave... 13 - 22
Legion Lanes... 8 - 27
High Series: J. Helsel, 694; L. Davis, 636; D. Rye, 608. High Game: J. Helsel, 264; L. Davis, 239.

Thursday Morning Coffee

Ladybugs... 34.5 - 13.5
Thanks "A Latte"... 34 - 14
Bowling Buds... 28 - 20
Snow Tops... 23 - 25
Fearless... 20.5 - 27.5
High Series Women: H. Stairs, 459; B. Shippy, 441; D. Hollis, 418. High Game Women: B. Shippy, 169; B. Decker and H. Stairs, 157. High Series Men: E. Brosky, 489; R. Hays, 474; S. Green, 456. High Game

Men: S. Green, 188; E. Brosky, 168; R. Hays, 162.

Sunday Mixed Doubles

Gray Rock... 58 - 33
Moore's Auto... 56 - 35
AJD... 50 - 41
American Legion... 49 - 42
Tahiti Tans... 49 - 42
Bloomquist... 41 - 50
Dawsons & Stevens... 33 - 58
Spikes... 28 - 63
High Series Men: L. Ostrowski, 605; R. Dent, 535; T. Hulbert, 532. High Series Women: J. Dent, 509; L. Mead, 447; A. Rauch, 393. High Game Women: J. Dent, 180; L. Mead, 173; B. Baumgardner, 155. High Game Men: L. Ostrowski, 263; C. Bartz, 207; R. Dent, 199.

Friday Mixed Doubles

G & B Rentals... 53 - 31
Don Nester... 51 - 33
American Legion... 49 - 35
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Dodi's Karaoke... 39 - 45
Double Trouble... 35 - 49
Hot Dam Players... 34 - 50
AJD... 33 - 51
High Series Women: P. Younglove, 497; D. Hollis, 494; C. Osborne, 435. High Game Women: D. Hollis, 199; J. Williamson, 182; P. Younglove, 176. High Series Men: G. Mastroeni,

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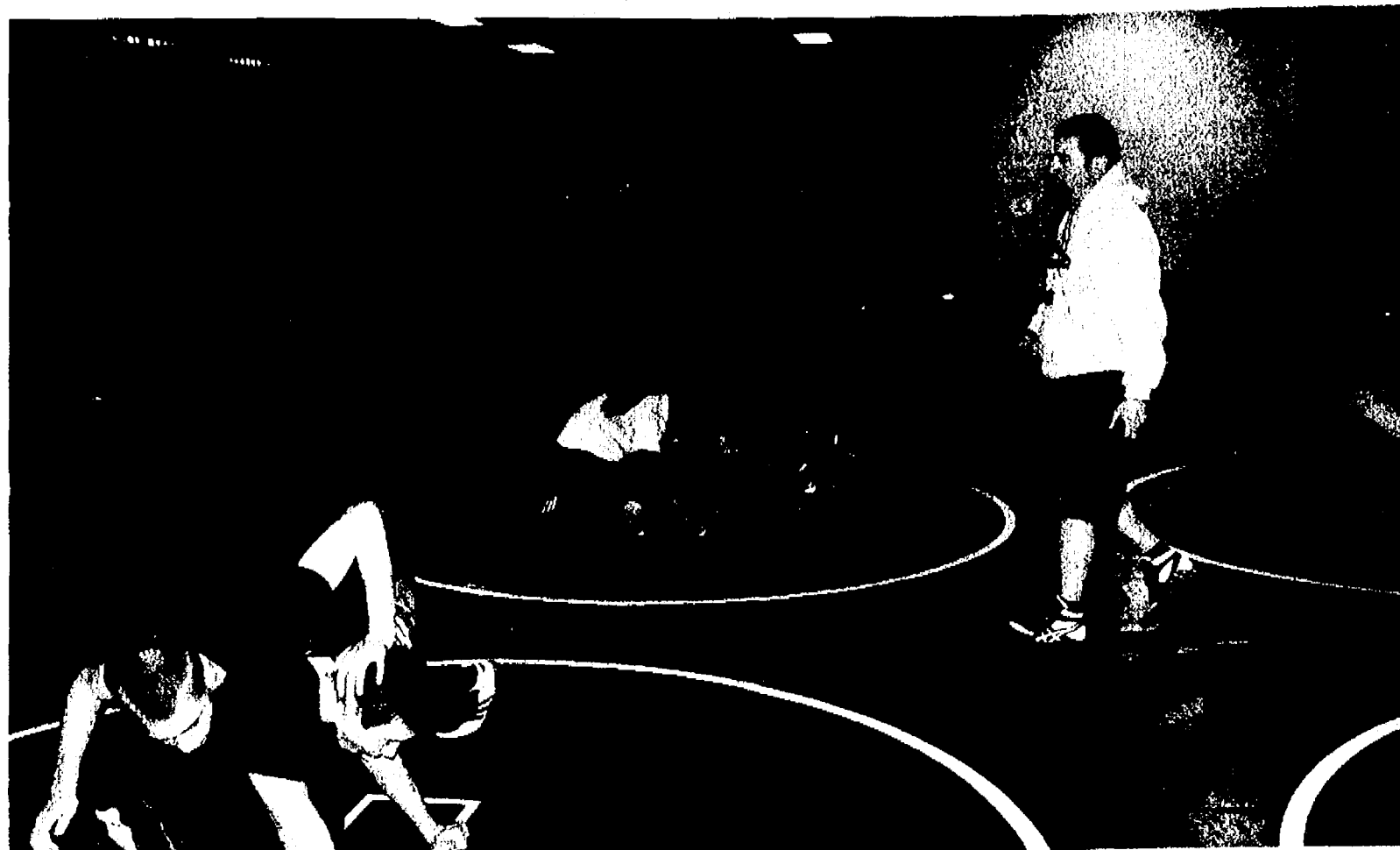
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New coach Andy Moore oversees a drill at wrestling practice on Monday.

Wrestling team has mix of youth, returners

New coach takes over program; first meet set for Saturday

by Caleb Casey

Senior Staff Writer

The GHS wrestling program's new coach described this year's group as a "young team" — it had 22 members as of last Monday and six of them were freshmen — but the squad also has a solid base of returning wrestlers from last year, a season in which the Vikings won a district championship and made it to the regional finals.

The team's new coach is Andy Moore, owner of Moore's Automotive in Grayling. He's a former all-state wrestler for Grayling High School, a 1991 graduate. This is his first high school head coaching job.

Moore said practices have been going well so far. The team began its official practice sessions on Monday, Nov. 21.

"We're going pretty hard, this week and last week," Coach Moore said.

Moore said the squad's been doing "a lot of hard running before and after practice." They've used their mat time for "learning new moves, key moves" and "situation type things."

The team has several wrestlers new to the program, including six freshmen, Moore said. The squad also has more than a dozen wrestlers back from last season's district title team.

"We're young. We've got a lot of freshmen," Moore said. "We have, I think, 13 returners."

The Vikings have won district championships in four of the last five seasons (2011, 2009, 2008, 2007). The Lake Michigan Conference has had wrestling as an official league sport for six years; Grayling has won the league title in four of those years and Traverse City St. Francis has won it twice, including last year. Moore hopes his team will get back to the top of the conference this year.

"My goals for the wrestling team is conference and district champs," Moore said.

The Vikings will open their 2011-2012 season with a tournament at Manton on Saturday, Dec. 10.

The squad will host two league teams — Elk Rapids and Kalkaska — at 6 p.m. on Monday, Dec. 12.



Cody Elmy wrestles at practice on Monday night.



Brandon Handrich battles Blake Hatfield during last Monday's practice.



Ghayge Toomey wrestles at practice on Monday, Nov. 28.



Ty Jensen grapples with Evan Kornell during a recent practice.

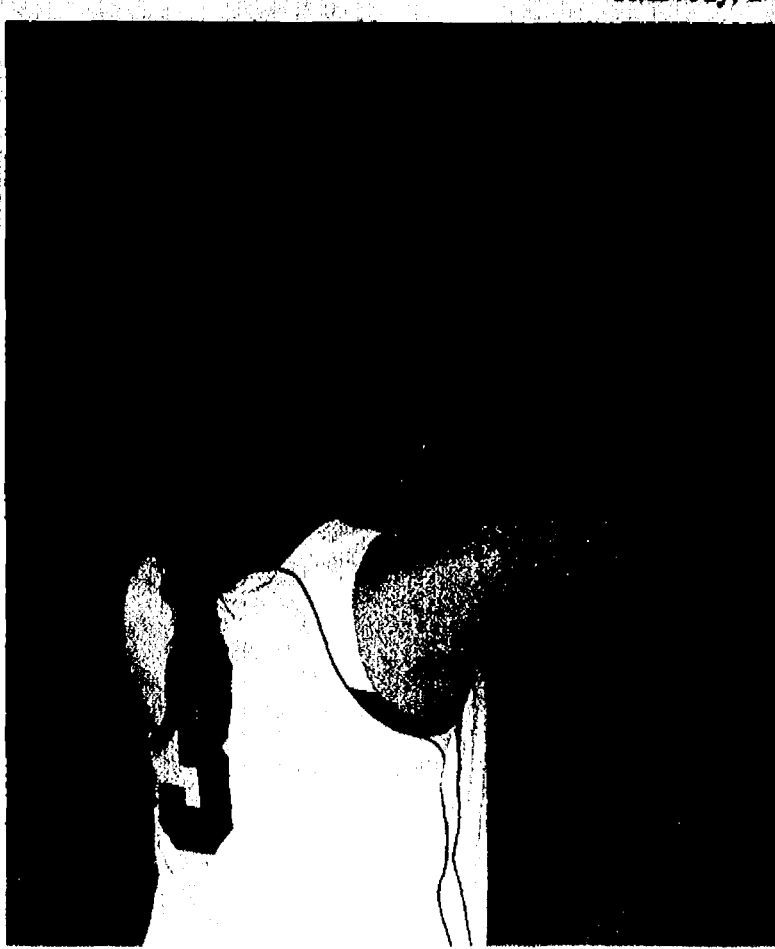


Jo Hamlin, left, dribbles the ball for the Vikings during Wednesday's win vs. Roscommon. Jamie Denton, right, shoots for Grayling vs. the Bucks.

Vikings win opener with 12-0 4th quarter run



Hannah Haven drives to the basket for a lay-up vs. Roscommon.



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After the game resumed, Hamlin hit a three-pointer to put the Vikings up by seven. The basket started a 12-0 run by Grayling; the Bucks did not score in the last four minutes of the game. Grayling's scored its last nine points with a jumper by Hamlin, one free throw by Swander, an inside shot by Prosser, two free throws from Prosser, and a lay-up by Whittaker.

The Vikings won 51-35. "It was a pretty good first game for our girls. With a very young and inexperienced team, we came out and played extremely hard. We didn't do everything perfect, and we were a little nervous playing our first game; however, we can control playing hard, which we did," Coach Joe Powers said.

"Yet, sadly, our starting center, Maddie Benardo, was hurt and lost for a month due to an apparent

concussion," Coach Powers said. "The girls were obviously upset so I asked them if they wanted to finish the game. They said 'let's win for Maddie.' The girls finished on a 12-0 run to end the game and to win it for Maddie. We were saddened to (see) that Maddie got hurt and hope she heals quickly."

Eight of Grayling's 10 players scored in the contest. Hamlin finished with 18 points and 15 rebounds. Swander had eight points and five rebounds. Prosser had six points. Haven had five points. Whittaker had four points, four assists, five rebounds, and three steals. Benardo finished with four points, 13 rebounds, and five assists. Morley had four points. Denton had two points.

"All of the girls contributed to a solid first win to start the season undefeated," Coach Powers said.

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File No. 11-8441-CH
PATRICIA A. SAJDAK, Plaintiff,
vs.
CDC & COMPANY, INC., d/b/a Ted's Canadian Steak & Fish Company, a Michigan Corporation; and
STATE OF MICHIGAN DEPARTMENT OF TREASURY-COLLECTIONS; and
STATE OF MICHIGAN, DEPARTMENT OF LICENSING AND REGULATORY AFFAIRS, UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE AGENCY formerly known as DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY LABOR AND ECONOMIC GROWTH, UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE AGENCY; and
RANDY THOMPSON,

Defendants,

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AMENDED NOTICE OF COUNTY CLERK'S SALE OF FORECLOSURE

Public notice is hereby given, that pursuant to a Judgement of Foreclosure and Order of Sale entered by the Circuit Court for the County of Crawford, State of Michigan, on the 10th day of

November, 2011, in favor of Patricia A. Sajdak, Plaintiff, and against CDC & Company, Inc., d/b/a Ted's Canadian Steak & Fish Company, a Michigan Corporation and other Defendants, I shall offer for sale to the highest bidder, at a public auction to be held at the front door of the Crawford County Courthouse in the City of Grayling, Michigan, that being the place for holding the Circuit Court in and for said County, on Tuesday, the 31st of January, 2012, at 10:00 a.m. Eastern Standard Time, in the forenoon, the following described real estate:

Situated in the City of Grayling, County of Crawford, State of Michigan, viz:

Part of the Northeast 1/4 of the Southeast 1/4 of Section 18, Town 26 North, Range 3 West; Commencing at the East 1/4 corner of Section 18, thence S89°21'W along East and West 1/4 line 100 feet; thence S02°05'40"W parallel with East Section line 100 feet to the Point of Beginning; thence S02°05'40"W 133.60 feet; thence N87°04'30"W 149.85 feet; thence N02°05'40"E 124.25 feet; thence N89°21'E 150 feet to the Point of Beginning AND Commencing at the East 1/4 corner Section 18, Town 26 North, Range

3 West, thence S89°21'W along the 1/4 line 100 feet to the Point of Beginning; thence S2°05'40"W 100 feet; thence S89°21'W 198 feet; thence N2°05'40"E 100 feet; thence N89°21'E 198 feet to the Point of Beginning.

Also, by separate sale, I will be selling the interest of Defendant, CDC & Company, Inc., d/b/a Ted's Canadian Steak & Fish Company, in a certain license to sell alcoholic beverages issued by the Michigan Liquor Control Commission.

Dated: November, 2011.

Sandra Moore
Crawford County Clerk

John E. Rosezyk (P22847)
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NOTICE

This firm is a debt collector attempting to collect a debt. Any information obtained will be used for this purpose. If you are in the Military, please contact our office at the number listed below. Notwithstanding, if the debt secured by this property was discharged in a Chapter 7 Bankruptcy proceeding, this notice is NOT an

attempt to collect that debt. You are presently in default under your Mortgage Security Agreement, and the Mortgage Holder may be contemplating the commencement of foreclosure proceedings under the terms of that Agreement and Michigan law. You have no legal obligation to pay amounts due under the discharged note. A loan modification may not serve to revive that obligation. However, in the event you wish to explore options that may avert foreclosure, please contact our office at the number listed below. Attention: The following notice shall apply only if the property encumbered by the mortgage described below is claimed as a principal residence exempt from tax under section 7ec of the general property tax act, 1893 PA 206, MCL 211.7cc. Attention Zachery S Russell a/k/a Zachary S Russell and Aprille Russell, regarding the property at 182 N Roberts Rd Grayling, MI 49738. The following notice does not apply if you have previously agreed to modify the mortgage loan under section 3205b, 3205a, 3205b and 3205c do not apply unless the terms of the modified mortgage loan entered into were complied with for one year after the date of the modification. You have the right to request a meeting with your mortgage holder or mortgage servicer. Northwestern Bank is your

mortgage servicer, with authority to make agreements under MCL 600.3205b and MCL 600.3205c, and can be contacted at: 625 S. Garfield Ave Traverse City, MI 49686 (800) 968-4754. You may also contact a housing counselor. For more information, contact the Michigan State Housing Development Authority (MSHDA) by visiting www.michigan.gov/msghda or calling (866) 946-7432. If you request a meeting with Northwestern Bank within 14 days after the notice required under MCL 600.3205a(1) is mailed, then foreclosure proceedings will not commence until at least 90 days after the date said notice was mailed. If an agreement to modify the mortgage loan is reached and you abide by the terms of the agreement, the mortgage will not be foreclosed. You have the right to contact an attorney and can obtain contact information through the State Bar of Michigan's Lawyer Referral Service at (800) 968-0738. Dated: December 8, 2011. Potestivo & Associates, P.C. 811 South Blvd. Suite 100 Rochester Hills, MI 48307 (248) 844-5123 information may be faxed to (248)267-3004. Attention: Loss Mitigation Our File No: 11-53267 (12-08)

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PUBLIC NOTICE

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Legal Action

NOTICE

SCHNEIDERMAN & SHERMAN, P.C., IS ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT. ANY INFORMATION WE OBTAIN WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE. PLEASE CONTACT OUR OFFICE AT (248)539-7400 IF YOU ARE IN ACTIVE MILITARY DUTY. MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by BARBARA L. LOAR and RICHARD D. LOAR, JOINT TENANTS WITH FULL RIGHTS OF SURVIVORSHIP, to NATIONAL CITY MORTGAGE A DIVISION OF NATIONAL CITY BANK OF INDIANA, Mortgagee, dated March 24, 2006, and recorded on March 30, 2006, in Document No. R0014784, Liber 680, on Page 472, and assigned by said mortgagee to GREEN TREE SERVICING LLC, as assigned, Crawford County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Eighty-Nine Thousand Seventy-One Dollars and Forty-Three Cents (\$89,071.43), including interest at 7.305% per annum. Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the front door of the County Building in Grayling, Michigan, at 10:00 AM on January 4, 2012. Said premises are located in Crawford County, Michigan and are described as: COMMENCING AT THE NORTHWEST CORNER OF THE SOUTH 1/2 OF THE SOUTHEAST 1/4 OF SECTION 15, TOWNSHIP 27 NORTH, RANGE 1 WEST; THENCE EAST 500 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING; THENCE EAST 250 FEET; THENCE SOUTH 260 FEET; THENCE WEST 250 FEET; THENCE NORTH 260 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING; BEING A PART OF THE SOUTH 1/2 OF THE SOUTHEAST 1/4 OF SAID SECTION 15. The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale unless determined abandoned in accordance with 1948CL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale. GREEN TREE SERVICING LLC Mortgagee/Assignee, Schneiderman & Sherman, P.C., 23938 Research Drive, Suite 300 Farmington Hills, MI 48335-GTSM.000047 FNMA (12-01)(12-22)

-1-8-15-22

NOTICE OF MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE

THIS FIRM IS A DEBT COLLECTOR ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT. ANY INFORMATION WE OBTAIN WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE. IF YOU ARE IN ACTIVE MILITARY SERVICE PLEASE CONTACT OUR OFFICE AT THE NUMBER BELOW. ATTENTION POTENTIAL PURCHASERS AT FORECLOSURE SALE: In the case of resolution prior to or simultaneously with the aforementioned foreclosure sale, U.S. Bank National Association, as Trustee for Manufactured Housing Contract Senior / Subordinate Pass-Through Certificate Trust 1999-2, by Green Tree Servicing LLC, as Servicer with delegated authority under the transaction documents may rescind this sale at any time prior to the end of the redemption period. In that event, your damages, if any, shall be limited to the return of your bid amount tendered at the sale, plus interest. Default having occurred in the conditions of a Mortgage made by Jerry D. Quesada and Constance J. Quesada, husband and wife, ("Debtors") to Harmony Homes, Inc., dated November 19, 1998, and recorded in the Office of the Register of Deeds for the County of Crawford in the State of Michigan on December 14, 1998, in Liber 470, Page(s) 01, et. seq., said Mortgage being last assigned to U.S. Bank National Association, as Trustee for Manufactured Housing Contract Senior / Subordinate Pass-Through Certificate Trust 1999-2, by Green Tree Servicing LLC, as Servicer with delegated authority under the transaction documents ("Green Tree"), by Mortgage Assignment dated October 24, 2011, and recorded in the Office of the Register of Deeds for the

County of Crawford in the State of Michigan on November 15, 2011, in Liber 706, Page(s) 826, et. seq., on which Mortgage there is claimed to be due as of the date of this Notice the sum of \$54,179.68, which amount may or may not be the entire indebtedness owed by Debtors to Green Tree together with interest at 6.75 percent per annum. NOW THEREFORE, Notice is hereby given that the power of sale contained in said Mortgage has become operative and that pursuant to that power of sale and MCL 600.3201 et. seq., on January 18, 2012 at 10:00 a.m., in the Lobby of the Courthouse in Grayling, Michigan, that being the place for holding the Circuit Court and/or for conducting such foreclosure sales for the County of Crawford, there will be offered at public sale, the premises, or some part thereof, described in said Mortgage as follows, to-wit: LAND SITUATED IN THE TOWNSHIP OF SOUTH BRANCH, COUNTY OF CRAWFORD, STATE OF MICHIGAN, IS DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS: LOT 136, INDIAN GLENS OF THE AUSALE UNIT #2, TOWNSHIP OF SOUTH BRANCH, CRAWFORD COUNTY, MICHIGAN, ACCORDING TO THE RECORDED PLAT THEREOF, AS RECORDED IN LIBER 3 OF PLATS, PAGE 12, CRAWFORD COUNTY RECORDS, which also includes any interest Green Tree may have in the 1998 Fortune Mobile Home, Serial Number 02154M. The redemption period shall be six (6) months from the date of sale unless the property is established to be abandoned pursuant to MCL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be the later of thirty (30) days from the date of sale or fifteen (15) days from the date the notice required by MCL 600.3241a(b) was posted and mailed. Dated: December 2, 2011 U.S. Bank National Association, as Trustee for Manufactured Housing Contract Senior / Subordinate Pass-Through Certificate Trust 1999-2, by Green Tree Servicing LLC, as Servicer with delegated authority under the transaction documents By: DONALD A. BRANDT (P30183) BRANDT, FISHER, ALWARD & PEZZETTI, P.C. Attorneys for Green Tree 1241 E. Eighth Street, P.O. Box 5817 Traverse City, Michigan 49696-5817 (231) 941-9660 File No.: 6140.0988 Ad #17580 12/08, 12/15, 12/22, 12/29/2011

-8-15-22-29

FORECLOSURE NOTICE

In the event this property is claimed as a principal residence exempt from tax under section 7ee of the general property tax act, 1893 PA 206, MCL 7ee please contact our office at (248) 844-5123. This firm is a debt collector attempting to collect a debt. Any information obtained will be used for this purpose. If you are in the Military, please contact our office at the number listed below. MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a certain mortgage made by: Dave Dulock and Amy Dulock, husband and wife to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for Flagstar Bank FSB, its successors and assigns, Mortgagee, dated November 22, 2005 and recorded November 29, 2005 in Liber 678 Page 727 Crawford County Records, Michigan and assigned to: CitiMortgage, Inc. by assignment of mortgage dated November 18, 2011 and subsequently recorded in Crawford County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Twenty-Nine Thousand One Hundred Eighty-Five Dollars and Forty-Seven Cents (\$29,185.47) including interest 6.5% per annum. Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, Circuit Court of Crawford County at 10:00AM on January 11, 2012 Said premises are situated in City of Grayling, Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as: The South one half of the South one half of the North one half of the South one half of the North one half both being part of the East one half of the Southeast one quarter of the Southeast one quarter of Section 15, Town 25 North, Range 2 West, excepting the East 33 feet of this description which is to be used as road right of way. Commonly known as 2852 Chatham Trail, Grayling 49738 The redemption period shall be 12 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCL 600.3241 or

MCL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale, or upon the expiration of the notice required by MCL 600.3241a(c), whichever is later. Dated: 12/08/2011 CitiMortgage, Inc. Assignee of Mortgagee Attorneys: Potestivo & Associates, P.C. 811 South Blvd. Suite 100 Rochester Hills, MI 48307 (248) 844-5123 Our File No: 11-52833 (12-08)(12-29)

-8-15-22-29

FORECLOSURE NOTICE

This firm is a debt collector attempting to collect a debt. Any information obtained will be used for this purpose. If you are in the Military, please contact our office at the number listed below. MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a certain mortgage made by: Lee A. Danner and Helen L. Danner, husband and wife as joint tenants to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems Inc. as nominee for Charterwest Mortgage LLC its successors and assigns, Mortgagee, dated March 23, 2005 and recorded April 11, 2005 in Liber 674 Page 889 Crawford County Records, Michigan Said mortgage was assigned to: CitiMortgage Inc., by assignment dated June 8, 2011 and recorded June 21, 2011 in Liber 705, Page 422, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Eighty-Eight Thousand Three Hundred Eighty-Two Dollars and Forty-Two Cents (\$88,382.42) including interest 6.25% per annum. Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, Circuit Court of Crawford County at 10:00AM on January 11, 2012 Said premises are situated in City of Grayling, Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as: Lot 6 and the West one half of Lot 5, of Block 12, Roffee's Addition to the Village (now City) of Grayling, according to the Plat thereof as recorded in Liber 1, Page 11, Crawford County Records. Commonly known as 1000 Ogema Street, Grayling MI 49738 The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCL 600.3241 or MCL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale, or upon the expiration of the notice required by MCL 600.3241a(c), whichever is later. Dated: 12/08/2011 CitiMortgage Inc., Assignee of Mortgagee Attorneys: Potestivo & Associates, P.C. 811 South Blvd. Suite 100 Rochester Hills, MI 48307 (248) 844-5123 Our File No: 11-51190 (12-08)(12-29)

-8-15-22-29

Notice Of Mortgage Foreclosure Sale

THIS FIRM IS A DEBT COLLECTOR ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT. ANY INFORMATION WE OBTAIN WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE. PLEASE CONTACT OUR OFFICE AT THE NUMBER BELOW IF YOU ARE IN ACTIVE MILITARY DUTY. ATTN PURCHASERS: This sale may be rescinded by the foreclosing mortgagee. In that event, your damages, if any, shall be limited solely to the return of the bid amount tendered at sale, plus interest. MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Jeffrey R. Bennett and Darlene D. Bennett, husband and wife, original mortgagor(s), to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., Mortgagee, dated October 17, 2006, and recorded on October 26, 2006 in Liber 683 on Page 880, and modified by Affidavit or Order recorded on October 20, 2008 in Liber 693 on Page 572, in Crawford County records, Michigan, and assigned by said Mortgagee to The Bank of New York Mellon fka The Bank of New York, as Trustee for the benefit of the Certificateholders of the CWABS Inc., Asset-Backed Certificates, Series 2007-BC2 as assignee, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Eighty-Seven Thousand Nine Hundred Fifty-Six and 06/100 Dollars (\$87,956.06), including interest at 8.75% per annum. Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Crawford County, at 10:00 AM, on January 11, 2012. Said premises are situated in Township of Grayling, Crawford

County, Michigan, and are described as: Part of the Southeast 1/4 of the Southeast 1/4 of Section 6, Town 26 North, Range 3 West, commencing Southeast corner of Section 6, Town 26 North, Range 3 West, thence North 01 degrees 00 minutes 00 seconds East along the East line of said Section 33.08 feet; thence South 87 degrees 06 minutes 00 seconds West along the Northerly right of way of North Down River Road 323.00 feet to a found 1/2 bar at the intersection of the Northerly right of way North Down River Road and the Westerly right of way of Dale Street and the boundary of the recorded Plat of Pine Grove Subdivision recorded in Liber 1 of Plats, Page 58, Crawford County Records, for a point of beginning; thence North 00 degrees 55 minutes 34 seconds East (recorded as North 00 degrees 54 minutes 00 seconds East 120.00 feet) along the Westerly right of way of Dale Street and said Plat 120.00 feet to a found concrete monument; thence South 87 degrees 06 minutes 00 seconds West along said Plat 76.42 feet to a set 1/2X18 steel rebar with plastic cap marked "MEM 31600"; thence South 02 degrees 03 minutes 15 seconds 119.75 feet to the Northerly right of way of North Down River Road and a set 1/2X18 steel rebar with plastic cap marked MEM 31600; thence North 87 degrees 06 minutes 00 seconds East along said right of way 70.18 feet to the point of beginning, containing 0.201 acres more or less. The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale. Dated: December 8, 2011 For more information, please call: FC X (248) 593-1302 Trott & Trott, P.C. Attorneys For Servicer 31440 Northwestern Highway, Suite 200 Farmington Hills, Michigan 48334-2525 File #385254F01 (12-08)(12-29)

-24-1-8-15

NOTICE OF MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE SALE

THIS FIRM IS ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT. ANY INFORMATION WE OBTAIN WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE. MORTGAGE SALE: Default having been made in the conditions of certain Mortgage made by RANDY C. PIIPPONEN, a single man, of 105 Henning Drive, Roscommon, MI 48653, to THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, acting through Rural Development, United States Department of Agriculture, with its Office being located at 4300 Goodfellow Blvd., Building 105, FC-215, St. Louis, MO, 63120, the Mortgagee, the Mortgage being dated June 15, 2005, and recorded June 28, 2005, in Liber 676, Page 80 in Crawford County Records, such Mortgage being given to secure Promissory Note payable to the Government, and by reason of such default the Mortgagee elects to declare the entire unpaid amount of such Mortgage due and payable forthwith, on which Mortgage there is claimed to be due as of December 1, 2011, for principal, interest and other charges, the sum of ONE HUNDRED NINETEEN THOUSAND, SEVEN HUNDRED SEVENTY-SIX AND 92/100 (\$19,776.92) DOLLARS, and no proceedings having been instituted at law or equity to recover the debt now remaining secured by said Mortgage, or any part thereof, whereby the power of sale contained in said Mortgage has become operative; Now, Therefore, Notice is hereby given that by virtue of the power of sale contained in said Mortgage and in pursuance of the statute of the State of Michigan in such case made and provided, the said Mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the premises therein described, or so much thereof as may be necessary, at public auction, to the highest bidder, at the County Courthouse at 200 W. Michigan Avenue, in the City of Grayling, County of Crawford, Michigan, that being the place of holding the Circuit Court in and for said County, on WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 11, 2012 at 10:00 a.m., local time, and said premises will be sold to pay the amount due as aforesaid on the Mortgage together with 5.625% interest, legal costs, attorneys' fees and also any taxes and insurance that said Mortgagee does pay on or prior to the date of said sale; which said premises described in said Mortgage are situated in the County of Crawford, State of Michigan and are described as: Lots 15 and 16, JONASSEN SUBDIVISION #2, Township of South Branch, Crawford County, Michigan, according to the recorded plat thereof, as recorded in Liber 02 of Plats, Page 41, Crawford County Records. During the six (6) months immediately following the sale, the

property may be redeemed unless the property is abandoned, in which case the redemption shall be thirty (30) days from the date of sale. For further information with regard to this foreclosure, contact USDA - Rural Development, Centralized Servicing Center, Foreclosure Centralization Initiative, 4300 Goodfellow Blvd., Building 105, FC-215, St. Louis, MO, 63120, telephone (800) 349-5097 ext. 4500. Dated: December 1, 2011 UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, acting through the Farmers Home Administration (now Rural Development), United States Department of Agriculture, Mortgagee Michael I. Conlon (P43954) Running, Wise, Ford, P.L.C. 326 E. State Street, P.O. Box 686 Traverse City, MI 49685-0686 -1-8-15-22

Notice Of Mortgage

Foreclosure Sale

THIS FIRM IS A DEBT COLLECTOR ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT. ANY INFORMATION WE OBTAIN WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE. PLEASE CONTACT OUR OFFICE AT THE NUMBER BELOW IF YOU ARE IN ACTIVE MILITARY DUTY. ATTN PURCHASERS: This sale may be rescinded by the foreclosing mortgagee. In that event, your damages, if any, shall be limited solely to the return of the bid amount tendered at sale, plus interest. MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by David W. Farmer and Jackie R. Farmer husband and wife, original mortgagor(s), to Chase Manhattan Bank USA, NA, Mortgagee, dated February 25, 2005, and recorded on December 22, 2005 in Liber 679 on Page 122, and assigned by said Mortgagee to JPMorgan Chase Bank, National Association as assignee as documented by an assignment, in Crawford county records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of One Hundred Nine Thousand and One Hundred Fifty and 50/100 Dollars (\$109,150.50), including interest at 8.75% per annum. Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Crawford County, at 10:00 AM, on December 28, 2011. Said premises are situated in City of Grayling, Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as: Lot 1, Block 7, Except the North Fifteen feet of Hadley's Amended Addition to the Village (now city) of Grayling, according to the plat thereof of as recorded in Liber 01, of Plats, Page 08, Crawford County Records. The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale. Dated: November 24, 2011 For more information, please call: FC S (248) 593-1304 Trott & Trott, P.C. Attorneys For Servicer 31440 Northwestern Highway, Suite 200 Farmington Hills, Michigan 48334-2525 File #367953F01 (11-24)(12-15)

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Notice Of Mortgage

Foreclosure Sale

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to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., Mortgagee, dated April 15, 2006, and recorded on July 30, 2008 in Liber 692 on Page 501, and assigned by said Mortgagee to Flagstar Bank, FSB as assignee as documented by an assignment, in Crawford county records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Forty-Nine Thousand Two Hundred Sixty-Eight and 33/100 Dollars (\$49,268.33), including interest at 6.875% per annum. Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Crawford County, at 10:00 AM, on December 28, 2011. Said premises are situated in Township of South Branch, Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as: The Northeast quarter of the Northeast one-quarter, of the Northeast one-quarter, of the Northeast one-quarter, of Section 35, Town 25 North, Range 2 West, South Branch Township, Crawford County, Michigan The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale. Dated: November 24, 2011 For more information, please call: FC J (248) 593-1311 Trott & Trott, P.C. Attorneys For Servicer 31440 Northwestern Highway, Suite 200 Farmington Hills, Michigan 48334-2525 File #376352F03 (11-24)(12-15)

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Notice Of Mortgage

Foreclosure Sale

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Crawford County Board of Commissioners meeting minutes are now available on the county website: www.crawfordco.org eight days following the scheduled board meeting or may be obtained at the County Clerk's office for six (6) cents per page.

**Sandra Moore
County Clerk/Register of Deeds**

Notice Lovells Township

The Lovells Township Board of Review will hold a Special Meeting on Tuesday, December 13, 2011 from 6:15 PM - 7 PM at the Township Hall (8405 Twin Bridge Road, Grayling, MI 49738) for the purpose of reviewing assessment clerical errors, omissions, and mutual mistakes of fact.

Cynthia Infante
Lovells Township Clerk

Gary A. Neumann
Lovells Township Supervisor

(989) 348-9215

NOTICE

MAPLE FOREST TOWNSHIP BOARD OF REVIEW WILL MEET AT 9 AM ON TUESDAY DECEMBER 13, 2011 AT THE TOWNSHIP HALL ON SHERMAN ROAD.

THE PURPOSE OF THIS MEETING WILL BE TO CORRECT CLERICAL ERRORS OR MUTUAL MISTAKES OF FACT RELEVANT TO ASSESSMENT FIGURES, RATE OF TAXATION, MATHEMATICAL COMPUTATION, CALCULATION OF CAPPED VALUES AND TAXABLE VALUES.

**MARK D. KNISS
SUPERVISOR
MAPLE FOREST TOWNSHIP**

NOTICE

TO THE FREDERIC PROPERTY OWNERS

Frederic Township Board of Review will meet December 13, 2011 at 10:00 AM in the Township Hall at 6470 Manistee St. Frederic MI 49733

The purpose of the meeting will be to review and correct any mutual mistake of fact or clerical errors.

William T. Johnson
Supervisor

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December 8, 1988 - Third year Spanish students from GHS won 1st place at SVSU's Foreign Language Day with a collection of original Spanish cheers. Pictured here from (left to right): Stacy Morrow, Heather Pelton, Margarita Perez, Sue Nelson, Fred Shippy (Victor the Viking), Joanna Myers, Lisa Jo Barber and Heather Willoughby.

23 Years Ago

December 8, 1988

The Grayling Township Board voted unanimously to purchase the former North Michigan Land and Oil building for their new Township Hall. The board met in special session on Monday, Nov. 28, and agreed to purchase the office complex for \$200,000. They also decided to pay cash for the building instead of borrowing the \$100,000 approved by the voters at the Nov. 8 General Election.

The Grayling Viking boys

basketball team won the opening game of the season Friday, Dec. 2, defeating Kalkaska 53 - 44.

The GHS matmen will open their 1988-89 season at Petoskey on Thursday, Dec. 8. The team will feature nine returning letter winners from last year. Seniors are Brian Kernstock, John Gay, Kevin Bickford, Jason Wright and Rusty Argue. Terry Sorenson is the only returning junior and sophomores are Doug Doty, Andy Moore and Frank Wildfong.

46 Years Ago

December 9, 1965

Cindy Harwood spent the weekend with Marcie Kaiser in Frederic.

The William Scheers have purchased the Thane Hendershot home in Karen Woods and are now living there.

69 Years Ago

December 10, 1942

Clarence B. Johnson, manager of the Grayling Winter Sports association, that for years leased and operated the Grayling Winter Sports state

park, this week informed the conservation department Director P.J. Hoffmaster that the local association will not attempt to operate the park for the duration. Both snow trains and long distance automobile pleasure have been eliminated from the war economy, and local patronage would be insufficient to meet operating costs of the park, which is the largest of its kind in Michigan. Natural features such as ski slopes and trails, however, will remain open to public use as in all other state parks.

Superintendent Frank Bond says they are installing a new stoker at the high school to avoid such costly delays in the school program in the future. There will be no school until further notice which will be posted at the school and the Post Office.

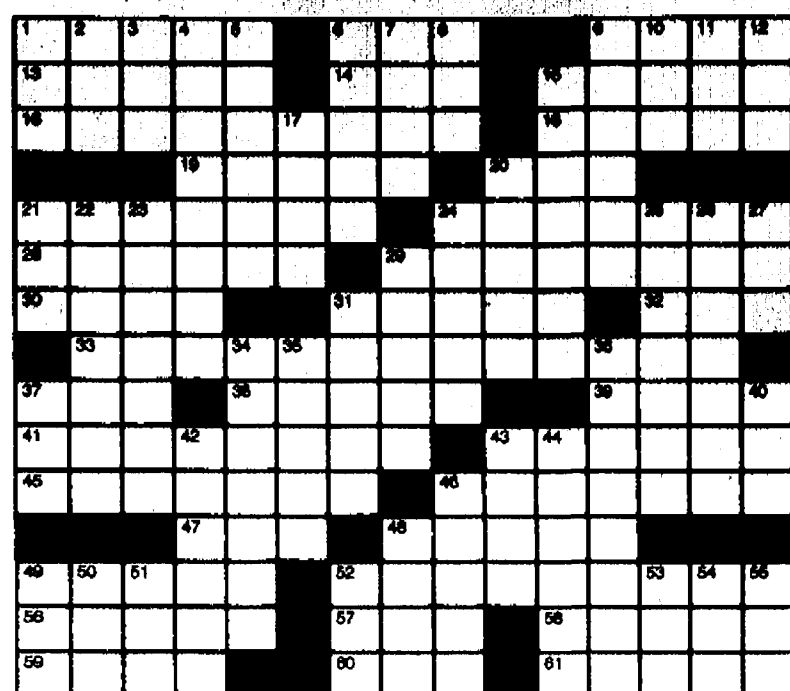
Saturday afternoon the fire truck and firemen were called upon to put out the fire that started in Nels Nielsen's workshop. An over heated stove was reported to be the cause of the fire. The damage was small.

92 Years Ago

December 11, 1919

Wednesday occurred the first event celebrating the first anniversary of the dedication of the new Michelson Memorial Chapel.

CROSSWORD



Across

1. Bumper sticker word
6. Presidents' Day mo.
9. Arab League member
13. 10 kilogauss
14. Australian runner
15. "Enchanted April" setting
16. Inflammation of the liver
18. Ape
19. "M*A*S*H" role
20. Mail place: Abbr.
21. In good time
24. Golfing word with a face more elevated than a driver but less than a spoon
28. Beloved of Aphrodite
29. Item used to clean the body
30. Baptism, for one
31. Losing come-out roll in craps
32. Barely get, with "out"
33. Ram used to breakdown doors of fortified buildings
37. "Is that ___?"
38. Accustom
39. E.P.A. concern
41. Gave in
43. Flower part
45. Immaterial parts of people
46. Chief official in a sports game
47. "Wheels"
48. Link
49. Refine, as metal
52. Hat with opposing brims turned up and caught together to form points
56. Overhangs
57. ___ Grove Village, Ill.
58. Freetown currency unit
59. "Iliad" warrior
60. 10th month of the Hindu calendar
61. Apprehension

Down

1. Addis Ababa's land: Abbr.
2. Linda ___, Supergirl's alias
3. Chairvoyance, e.g.
4. Orchestra member
5. Japanese floor covering
6. Brine-cured cheeses
7. Arab chieftain
8. Greyhound, e.g.
9. Good-for-nothing
10. Mayan language spoken
11. "Aladdin" prince
12. Big Apple ints.
15. Sticker
17. Bad day for Caesar
20. "Holberg Suite" composer
21. Keep out
22. All you can eat
23. In all respects
24. Carried
25. Device for removing stems from fruit
26. Annoying
27. Uncommon
29. Show place
31. Proper alignment
34. Lightweight protective helmet worn by construction workers
35. "Come in!"
36. Lowercase letter with a part extending above other lower case letters
37. Dadaism founder
40. "Goshi!"
42. Australian physiologist
43. Need a bath badly
44. Off course
46. Stack of hay
48. Aromatic yellowishbrown balsam
49. Caribbean, e.g.
50. Blemish
51. "The Three Faces of ___"
52. Large edible mushroom with a brown cap
53. Clod chopper
54. Alicia of "Falcon Crest"
55. "First Blood" director

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Week of December 4, 2011



CAPRICORN
December 22 - January 19

Oh yeah, Capricorn. Your can-do attitude and ability to make tough calls impresses many and you are given the lead on a project. A home repair is completed on time.



ARIES
March 21 - April 19

Feeling contrary, Aries? Think before you speak. You don't want to cause a ruckus. A friend reminds you of an important event. Start the planning now.



CANCER
June 22 - July 22

Retreat, Cancer. You've done enough for a friend and now it's time to step away and give them the gift of muddling through. A dream must be sacrificed for the greater good.



LIBRA
September 23 - October 22

You like to take risks, Libra, but not where your health is concerned. Whatever is bugging you can be fixed easily. Get a move on. Romance burns bright at home.



AQUARIUS
January 20 - February 18

You're not one to drag your feet, Aquarius, but a project at home has got you stumped. It may be time to call on the pros. A remark at work catches you off guard.



TAURUS
April 20 - May 20

You're definitely a cheerleader, Taurus, and when the chips are down, you'll have to pull out all of the tricks to motivate the team to get back on track and keep plugging away.



LEO
July 23 - August 22

You're much too nice, Leo, and it's high time that you took up for yourself and considered your needs first. No one else is going to look out for you.



SCORPIO
October 23 - November 21

You're on the right track at home, Scorpio, and don't let others tell you otherwise. A reunion is around the corner. Start your travel plans now.



PISCES
February 19 - March 20

You can no longer hide a matter, Pisces. Let everyone know what has been going on, no matter how much it may sting. The truth must come out.



GEMINI
May 21 - June 21

Practice what you preach, Gemini. All eyes will be on you this week, and you must set an example. A phone call is no cause for concern.



VIRGO
August 23 - September 22

Looking for another source of income, Virgo? You might want to turn to your hobbies. One of them could prove to be very lucrative, especially at this time of year.



SAGITTARIUS
November 22 - December 21

Watch it, Sagittarius. Your constant bellyaching about this and that is getting old. Take a look around you. You have so much to be thankful for.

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RECIPE OF THE WEEK

TERIYAKI-GLAZED BACON WATER CHESTNUTS

Ingredients:

- 1 pkg. (2.1 oz.) Fully Cooked Bacon
- 1 can (8 oz.) whole water chestnuts, drained
- 1/3 cup green pepper strips
- 2 Tbsp. teriyaki baste & glaze sauce

Directions:

HEAT oven to 350°F.

WRAP bacon around water chestnuts and peppers; secure with wooden toothpicks.

PLACE in shallow baking dish; brush with glaze.

BAKE 10 to 12 min. or until heated through.

Special Extra

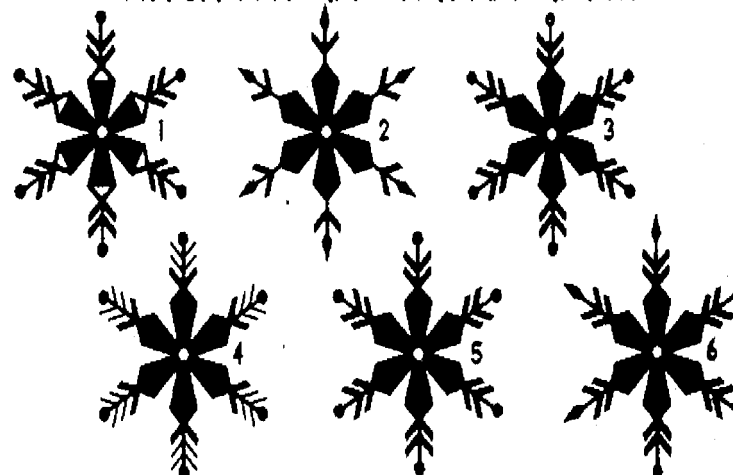
For a festive touch, prepare using a combination of red and green pepper strips.

Food Facts

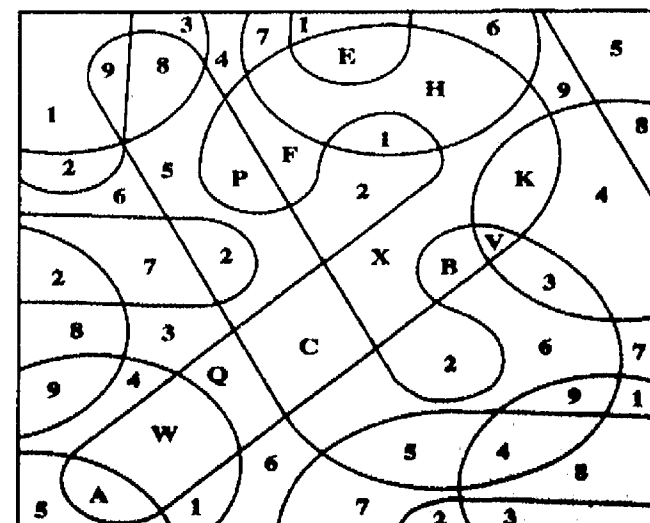
If using fancy water chestnuts, which also come in 8-oz. cans but are larger than regular water chestnuts, cut them in half before using as directed.

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3. Employment

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3. Employment

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GMS Boys Basketball

7th grade team

The Grayling Middle School 7th grade boys basketball team won 44-22 vs. the Kalkaska Blazers on Monday night in a contest played in Grayling.

"The team did a great job defensively tonight. They showed improvement in our man-to-man defense as well as our trap," Coach Craig Hofman said. "The big difference, however, was that we put the ball in the basket. We hit the lay-ups and short shots that have been rolling out for us in the last few games. I was very proud of the team's ability to play with some intensity and focus coming off the long Thanksgiving break. It was a great win for this team and they deserved it for all their hard work. We need to use this momentum to continue and improve and compete with all of the teams in our league."

"Troy Summers had an outstanding defensive and offensive game. Troy scored 19 points and easily had 10 rebounds. Darren Johnston also had a great all-around game, hitting the easy shots and rebounding. Darren had 12 points," Coach Hofman said. "Josh Hetfield played his best game of the year with defensive intensity and better decision making on the offensive end of the floor. Josh scored eight points. Fred Fisher and Koedy Dole were also very

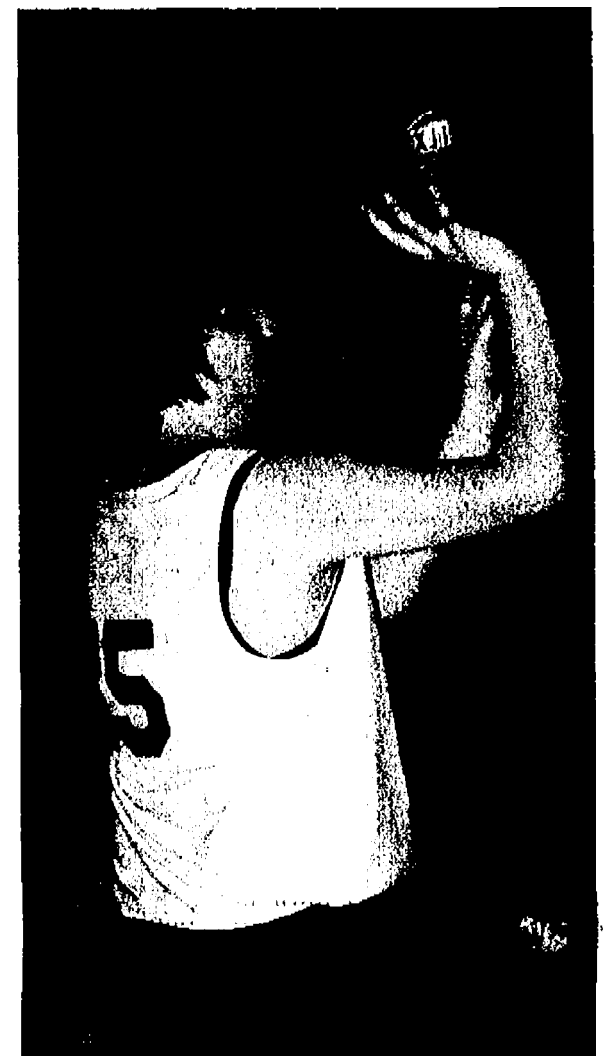
active defensively with many steals and rebounding. Fred did a good job of running the point and penetrating the defense to get Troy and Darren some easy baskets. Austin Molands did a nice job with defensive pressure and added a three-pointer at the end. Collin Bilyeu, Ron Woidan, Kyle Watkins, and Austin Jubb also played well and are improving every day."

The 7th grade squad lost 32-15 at Harbor Springs on Wednesday.

"The team just struggled putting the ball in the basket. We had many opportunities but just could not get shots to go. We had some foul trouble, which allowed the Rams to go to the free-throw line, but we were just not consistent during the game," Coach Hofman said.

"We need to be consistent from quarter to quarter and game to game. The first and fourth quarters we played them even but the middle two we struggled and that is the difference," Coach Hofman said. "We got some great defensive and offensive production off the bench from Austin Molands. The rest of the team also played well and helped motivate everyone to put forth a better effort. They showed some great teamwork."

Summers had 6 points. Molands had 5 points. Johnston had 4 points.



Josh Hetfield, left, dribbles the ball for Grayling vs. Kalkaska. Ron Woidan, right, shoots for the Vikings on Monday.

Pool League

Women's Standings		Swamp 251	(Legion).
Frederic Inn	84	Two Track	86
Legion65	5 Ball Run: Siss (Frederic		
Gray Rock61	Inn) and Jill (Swamp).		
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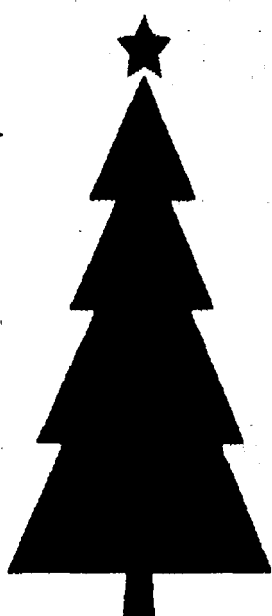
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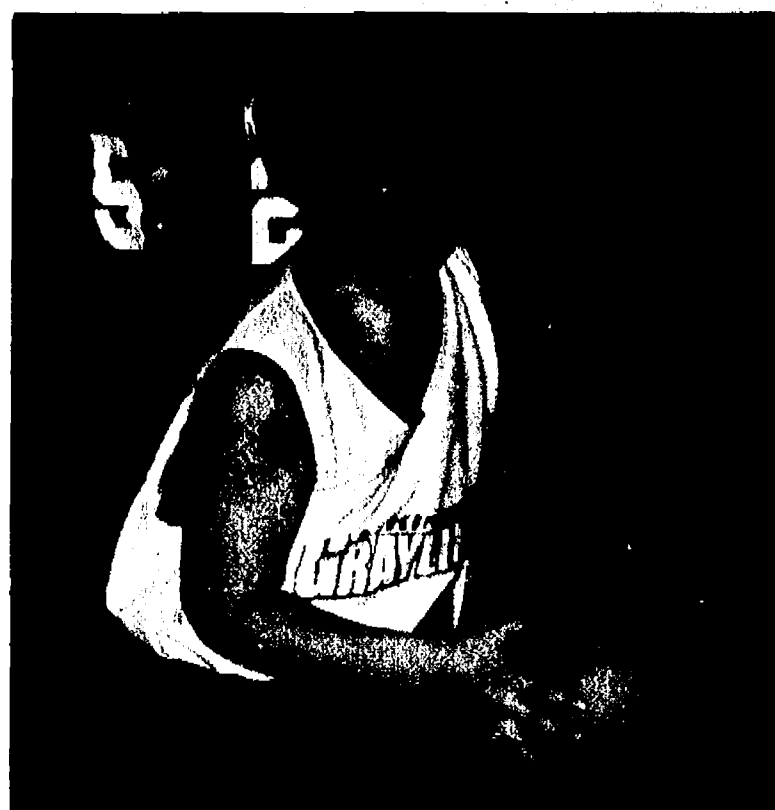
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Jeremy Garcia, left, sets up for an inside shot vs. Kalkaska on Monday night. Blake Gregory, right, drives to the basket for the 8th grade team.



GMS Boys Basketball

7th/8th grade team

Grayling Middle School's 7th/8th grade combo team improved its season record to 5-0 with a 28-15 victory vs. the visiting Kalkaska Blazers last Monday.

Grayling had a big lead early - the were up 10-2 at the end of the first quarter - before ultimately winning by 13.

"The kids played good defensively. (Fred) Shippy and (Jeremy) Garcia played good defense on their big guy. Alex Ferrigan had his best game defense-wise," Coach Jeff McMann said. "All 10 guys played great. We spread the scoring out."

Seven different players scored points for the Vikings: Thomas Barnes (10), Shane McCleave (6), Ferrigan (4), Shippy (2), Greg Alma (2), Todd Bilyeu (2), Garcia (2).

The 7th/8th grade combo team lost by one, 21-20, at Harbor Springs on Wednesday.

"Harbor (Springs) has a fast team. When they got the rebound they were off and running. They scored 14 points off the break. We tried to adjust but we still had trouble getting back. In the fourth quarter the boys played tough defense;

Harbor (Springs) only scored one point, but we went cold, only scoring four points. At halftime we led 12-8. In the third quarter we were so flat on defense we gave up 12 points and were down by 20-16 going to the fourth quarter. That's where our defense came through but our offense fell asleep," Coach McMann said. "It was a tough loss for the boys but they played a good game."

Leading scorers for GMS: Barnes (6), Shippy (6), McCleave (4), Andrew Benardo (3), Garcia (1).

8th grade team

The GMS 8th grade boys basketball squad lost 45-35 vs. Kalkaska on Monday.

The Vikings led 15-12 after one quarter. The visiting Blazers had a 24-23 edge at halftime. Kalkaska started the second half with a 9-0 run to lead by 10. In the fourth quarter, Grayling cut Kalkaska's lead to as few as six, but that's as close as the score would get, and the Blazers won by 10.

Blake Gregory had 14 points for the Vikings. Garret Anderson had nine points. Trent Hickman scored eight points. Spencer Kent and Chandler Swiercz scored two points apiece.



Joe Petrosky dribbles the ball for Grayling's 8th grade team on Monday.



Alex Ferrigan maneuvers around a Kalkaska defender on Monday night.

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